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Anti-boycott rules flouted, says author

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

On Jan. 21, 1977, the Canadian government issued guidelines aimed at countering discriminatory effects of the Arab economic boycott of Israel. A new book by a Jewish federal civil servant experienced in the formulation of trade policy suggests that these measures are not only full of loopholes, but have not been fully applied over the intervening 10 years.

Aaron Sarna in his just released Boycott and Blacklist: A History of Arab Economic Warfare Against Israel describes how the Trudeau government "grudgingly developed" these half-measures" in the face of public pressure.

Succeeding national leaders have not shown any greater enthusiasm in addressing the issue of Canadian businesses' compliance with Arab demands that they have no ties with Israel or "Zionist sympathizers," frequently a euphemism for anti-semitic bias, Sarna contends.

The Montreal native said he worked on the book for seven years and admits as a civil servant he made be "skating on thin ice" in criticizing Canadian policy. He joined the federal civil service in 1968 and spent most of his career with the industry, trade and commerce department and the ministry of state for economic development.

He is also the editor of Trade Policy and Law Journal.

Sarna, who is currently director of the trade policy division of the fisheries and oceans department, points out that three major parts of the guidelines have been either ineffectual or have simply not been carried out.

Denial of government support or facilities to companies that abide by discriminatory provisions in trade transactions, a cornerstone of the guidelines, is largely irrelevant, according to Sarna. Large corporations dominate Canadian trade with the Arab Middle East and they do not rely on government financing.

Aaron Sarna

The government did not implement the guidelines' requirement that Canadian firms report all instances of their complying with boycott provisions, nor make public the names of companies complying with the boycott, as promised.

The extent of publication has been three reports "of a general nature" on the application of the guidelines issued in 1978 by the department of industry, trade and commerce. Although these types of reports were to be semi-annual, no further reports were released, Sarna writes.

Furthermore, Sarna says the government has turned a blind eye on Canadian banks that have "demanded company compliance with discriminatory letters of credit before making payment for export transactions." The industry department has actually circulated tenders containing boycott clauses, and counseled boycott compliance in government publications, he writes.

Today, an "anomalous" situation exists in which the much tougher Ontario and U.S. anti-boycott laws are "filling the vacuum" left by the lack of Canadian anti-boycott laws. During the period from October, 1980 to September, 1983, for example, 29 Canadian firms owned by U.S. interests reported to the U.S. state department that they would not comply with boycott requests applicable to 69 transactions valued at $122 million.

The "Jerusalem debacle" — the Clark government's reversal of a promise to move Canada's embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem in 1979 — as a result of an outcry by the Arab world and the Canadian business community with interests in the Middle East effectively ended any hope of strengthening the anti-boycott measures, Sarna maintains.

He claims that "the federal trade bureaucracy abetted this campaign (against the proposed embassy relocation) by spreading alarmist propaganda on the economic impact."

Despite its shortcomings, Canada is one of only a handful of nations that have adopted an explicit policy opposed to the Arab boycott. Outside of Canada and the United States, limited anti-boycott measures have

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Recognition "prerequisites" stand

Vatican downplays visit

By LISA PALMIERI-BILLIG

ROME (JTA) —

The Vatican is taking pains to allay any notion that the visit to Israel by John Cardinal O'Connor, the Archbishop of New York, indicates a modification of the "prerequisites" it has set for establishing diplomatic relations with the Jewish state.

O'Connor, who arrived here last week from Israel, said he encountered not the "slightest evidence of displeasure" by the Holy See over his trip and the fact that he met with two Israeli leaders, President Chaim Herzog and Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, at their homes in Jerusalem.

Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro Valls issued a statement to the press noting that Israeli leaders — Golda Meir and Peres — had been received in Rome by two Popes, Paul VI and John Paul II.

"The State of Israel or its sovereignty is not at issue," he added.

"As is known, the issue regards the status of the City of Jerusalem, the problem of the occupied territories and the Palestinian issue. I think the acts of courtesy of Cardinal O'Connor do not involve these problems, which must be solved in appropriate circumstances."

Journalists were reminded that the contents of Pope John Paul II's apostolic letter on Jerusalem of April 20, 1984 are still valid.

The letter stated: "I am convinced the failure to find an adequate solution to the question of Jerusalem and the . . . postponement of the problem, only compromise the longed-for peaceful and just settlement of the crisis of the whole middle East."

New York's John Cardinal O'Connor

The letter called for the application of "special status" to "not only the monuments of the sacred places, but the whole historical Jerusalem and the existence of religious communities, their situation and future" which "cannot but affect everyone and interest everyone."

A month before that letter was issued, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was given a background briefing by a ranking official of the Roman curia. The official said that one of the primary concerns of the Holy See was that each religious community receive guarantees for complete freedom to develop and grow physically and economically, including rights of ownership, investments and the possibility of urban expansion.

The official said the Vatican sought a "threefold agreement between Jewish, Christian and Islamic authorities" in Jerusalem because Israel's guarantees alone were not sufficient. They had to be of an international character, he said.

The Vatican's second demand, creation of "a homeland for the Palestinian people" is contained in all of its documents relating to the Middle

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Cypriot ferries "spot-checked"

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres has expressed hope that Cyprus would not take offence to what he called "spot checks" of its passenger vessels plying between Cyprus and Lebanese ports.

Israeli Navy gunboats intercepted two Cyprus car ferries on the high seas recently and ordered their captains to hand over Palestinian terrorists and their weapons believed to be aboard. The captains refused and were ordered by the Israelis to return to Cyprus.

The ferries ply daily between Larnaca and Junieh, a Lebanese port north of Beirut. Israel denied it has imposed a blockade on Junieh and described the naval action as a routine measure to prevent terrorists from infiltrating Lebanon by sea.

Peres said that a preferable alternative would be for the Cypriot authorities to keep terrorists and weapons off their ferries.

No Contra ties, Israel stresses

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Israel was forced once again over the weekend to reiterate forcefully that it was in no way involved in the shipment of weapons to the Nicaraguan rebels, known as Contras, and that it acted in American arms sales to Iran only at the behest of the United States.

A government spokesman said Sunday that Israel was prepared to answer any questions from the U.S. with respect to the Iran arms affair.

These responses were to reports that surfaced in Washington last Thursday and Friday alleging that Israel had in fact initiated the U.S.-Iran arms sale and was shipping weapons to the Contras last year, apparently on its own initiative.

Premier Yitzhak Shamir characterized as "distorted and baseless" information leaked from the unpublished Senate intelligence committee's interim report on the Iran arms sale that cast Israel in the role of initiator.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres strongly denied any Israeli link to the transfer of funds from the Iranian weapons purchases to the Contras.

The matter came up at Sunday's cabinet meeting. Cabinet secretary Elyakin Rubinstein referred reporters to earlier official government statements disclaiming any link between Israel and Contra funding. Rubinstein also reiterated earlier official statements to the effect that Israel was only responding to an American request in the Iran arms deal.

"If the United States poses questions to us, we will answer those questions, Rubinstein told reporters after the cabinet meeting.

Shamir advised the cabinet that the entire matter would be subject to detailed review by the inner cabinet (five Labor and five Likud Ministers) which meets in camera. Communications Minister Amnon Rubinstein urged that Israel hold a full-scale inquiry of its own to counter the reports coming out of Washington.

There is growing concern here and among Israeli diplomatic circles in Washington that leaks and disclosures in the Iran affair could harm U.S.-Israel relations. Israeli sources in Washington were quoted by Israel Radio Sunday as "fearing that Israel was now being made a scapegoat" by the White House.

The Deschenes Report

Will there be a govt. whitewash?

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Will the report of the Deschenes Commission amount to a "whitewash?"

Will an interdepartmental government team of lawyers and bureaucrats, coordinated by Justice Minister Ray Hnatyshyn, recommend to the cabinet that the report be implemented (assuming the report recommends action against war criminals) or will it be conveniently forgotten and left to gather dust on some forgotten shelf?

"Personally, I don't think anything will happen." Political pressures will see to that, says Bora Dragasevich.

Dragasevich is president of the Serbian National Shield Society of Canada, a country-wide organization serving the 100,000-strong Serbian community.

Like the Jewish and Ukrainian communities, the Serbs have taken an interest in the work of the Deschenes Commission and its investigation into whether there are Nazi war criminals in Canada and what can be done about them.

Unlike the Jewish and Ukrainian communities, the Serbs did not receive official standing before the inquiry. But several Serbian organizations presented briefs in Commission hearings.

The SNSS takes the position that "all those responsible for crimes should be punished, but they shouldn't be tried in Yugoslavia or other Communist countries," Dragasevich told The CJN. "Canadian laws should apply to Nazi war criminals hiding in Canada.

"The Holocaust did not only occur in Poland and Germany against Jews, but also in the Nazi puppet state of Croatia," he said.

About 750,000 people — Jews, Serbs and Gypsies — were killed in the Jasenovac concentration camp in Yugoslavia, he said.

But despite evidence that collaborators may be residing in Canada, Dragesovich believes political pressures on Prime Minister Brian Mulroney — the West votes Conservative, he noted — will prevent major steps to bring suspects to justice.

Taking what he calls a "realistic" approach, Dragesovich said "political expediency and votes are much more important to Canadian politicians than truth."

Despite his "realistic" stand, Dragesovich believes trying suspects in camera would have the effect of upholding justice while protecting the reputations of those charged with war crimes. That might make action on war criminals more palatable to those who oppose it now, he said.

And like spokesmen for other East European groups, Dragesovich opposes extradition of suspects to Communist countries, one of the remedies put before the Commission. Dragesovich says SNSS will await the publication of the Deschenes Commission report before fixing on a further course of action, perhaps a

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World-National

Recent vote no reversal of UN policy

By
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Proceedings and votes at the United Nations generally elicit a loud yawn from people who are otherwise well informed about international affairs. This is especially true for Jews who have come to see the world body as a forum for unrelenting and vicious attacks on Israel. An automatic Arab-Communist majority paints the Jewish state as a second South Africa and worse. The latter at least is not denied its right to existence, but there are any number of UN members who still have not made their peace with the fact that Israel is here to stay.

Rabbi Plaut

What of Britain, Australia and the many other nations that do not fall into the Arab-Soviet bloc? They usually abstain, for frequently the resolution at stake has some worthy general objective, such as "fostering peace in the Middle East." They may not like the anti-Israel and sometimes downright anti-semitic tone of the resolution, but of course they are for peace. So they abstain and don't offend their Arab trading partners.

With Israel

Customarily there have only been two countries which have stood up to the majority and have voted nay, along with Israel. These two have been the United States and Canada.

That comes as a surprise to a good many Canadian Jews. They know that our country maintains friendly and even cordial relations with Israel, but they have no idea that Canada has not hesitated to stand out against just about everybody, and has done so quite consistently for a long while. This policy, incidentally, is not due to Messrs. Joe Clark and Stephen Lewis alone, although of course they are chief players in the game of UN politics. They do deserve credit, but it is also true that the openly affirmative stance by Canada vis-a-vis Israel is of long standing.

This brings me to the UN resolution of Nov. 24 which once again called for an international peace conference and declares "the question of Palestine [to be] the core of the Arab-Israel conflict." This time, however, Canada abstained, when in the past it had voted against similar proposals. Did this suggest a shift in Canadian policy?

On the surface it did, but there was more to the story. For, in part at Canada's insistence, the Nov. 24 resolution was cleansed of the usual offensive language and — not to be overlooked — for the first time the resolution did not call for the explicit participation of the PLO, and neither did its wording imply an automatic anti-Israel outcome of such a projected conference.

"Offensive language"

When the vote came, Canada's policy makers felt that this was enough of a change to justify an abstention. But to make sure our position would not be misunderstood, our delegate offered the following statement explaining the abstention.

"It is essential that there be, and Canada will continue to encourage, international support for direct negotiations between the parties to the dispute. In this context *I wish to make it clear that Canada does not believe that an international conference is a substitute for such direct 'talks.'*"

The explanation went on to state that Canada had changed its vote for two reasons. One was the removal of "extraneous elements and offensive language," the other that the contacts between (then) Prime Minister Shimon Peres and the leaders of Morocco and Egypt had given hope that a properly prepared peace conference could have a chance.

Canada's vote which by itself would signal an unwelcome shift in our policy, must be seen along with this explanation offered. I do not believe, therefore, that the abstention should give us cause for serious unease. On the other hand, Canada's vote may be interpreted in some quarters as a move away from Israel, and I hope that the government will continue to make clear that this is not the case.

Huge cost overruns feared

U.S. promotes alternatives to Lavi

By
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WASHINGTON —
The U.S. defence department has prepared for Israel five "very attractive" alternatives to the production of the new Lavi jet fighter, U.S. officials said.

The five basic options, they added, will include an additional 19 possible "variations," all of which are designed to maximize employment levels in Israel and to save money in the process.

Among the package of alternatives, the officials said, was the co-production between the U.S. and Israel of F-16, F-18 or AV8 Harrier airframes, specially fitted with "homegrown" Israeli-designed Lavi avionics.

The Americans believe that a co-produced alternative to the Lavi could begin service in the Israeli Air Force long before the first Lavi would be ready and that Israel also would have a "proven" fighter, almost certainly superior to the Lavi which is still untested.

Each of the basic options will reportedly cost less than the Lavi, and will thus enable Israel to spend more money on other defence-related programs, including the possible co-production with the U.S. of new diesel-engine submarines. "Our alternatives will free up a lot of money for other projects," a U.S. official said.

The Pentagon's alternative study was formally presented to Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin by a high-level U.S. delegation, headed by the deputy undersecretary of defence for policy and resources, Dr. Dov Zakheim. The U.S. team was in Israel last week.

Zakheim and his associates have long been critical of the entire Lavi program, concerned that it will ultimately cost Israel too much money. They fear that Israel will then press the U.S. for more financial assistance to cover the Lavi-related expenses.

The U.S., in recent years, has already earmarked more than $1.5 billion in foreign military sales grants to Israel for the research and development of the Lavi in the U.S. and in Israel. Some 730 U.S. companies have already signed $850-900 million in contracts for the Lavi.

Earlier last year, the Pentagon, fearing possibly huge cost overruns, completed its own cost estimates of the Lavi. It concluded that the production of 300 Lavis over the next 20 years will wind up costing Israel about $22 million per plane. This compared with Israel Aircraft Industries' estimate of a $15 million per plane price tag.

In disputing the Pentagon's figure, Israeli officials argued that the Pentagon had been opposed to the entire Lavi project from the start. U.S. defence department officials, they said, were clearly anxious to see Israel purchase more U.S.-made planes instead.

But the Pentagon was repeatedly overruled by many of Israel's best friends in Congress, who lobbied hard for the Lavi funding, and ultimately by Secretary of State George Shultz and other administration policy-makers who reluctantly came around to support the Lavi.

In recent months, however, even Shultz and these others have had some second thoughts about the Lavi. They raised fears that the plane might simply be too ambitious and expensive for Israel's limited capabilities and might overly drain its overall defence budget.

The General Accounting Office (GAO), a branch of the U.S. Congress, has recently been deeply involved in preparing its own cost estimates on the Lavi. Many administration officials and congressmen have been anxiously awaiting its conclusions.

An approximately 40-page draft GAO study was sent earlier in December to Zakheim and to Democratic Representative Lee Hamilton of Indiana, chairman of the House foreign affairs subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East, who initially ordered the study. Its contents have not yet been publicly released.

According to informed U.S. sources, the GAO, as a courtesy, has presented to Israel some of the various "numbers" included in the report for pre-publication comment. Israel may determine that some of those figures should remain classified for security reasons.

There has been some speculation in Washington that the final GAO cost estimate lies somewhere between the IAI and Pentagon figures.

American critics of the Lavi program were not impressed by last week's first flight of the Lavi prototype (CJN Jan. 8). They noted that it came almost a year behind schedule.

"We were told in February 1985 that the flight would take place in February 1986," one U.S. source said, adding that the Lavi flew without weapons and without the projected Lavi avionics and electronics.

Other U.S. officials suggested that the flight demonstration was largely "political," timed to precede talks in Israel on the future of the plane.

To back up this point, they said that the Pentagon had been intially prepared to come to Tel Aviv in early December to present the various options to Rabin and other Israeli officials. But the Americans were asked to delay the visit until the end of the month. The Americans picked the first week in January so that they could spend the Christmas/New Year's week with their families.

"It was a political flight," one U.S. official said.

Israeli supporters of the Lavi charge that the Pentagon is opposed to the Israeli fighter out of fear that Israel might indeed build a superior plane without incurring major cost overruns. "What will Congress then say?" one such source asked.

These supporters insist that the Lavi will eventually be better than the F-16 in many respects and that the U.S., itself, will one day purchase Lavis. They noted that two squadrons of Israeli-made Kfirs have been leased to the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps in recent years to simulate Soviet-made MiG-21s in training exercises.

A leading U.S. aerospace firm, Grumman Aircraft, is currently studying a proposal from IAI to enter a Lavi co-production arrangement. IAI officials believe that Grumman's involvement would go a long way towards ensuring the final production of the Lavi and, at a later stage, helping to promote its export sales, perhaps even including to the United States.

More would go

TEL AVIV (JTA) —
Nine percent of Israelis were considering emigration in 1986, a 70% increase in less than three years, according to a review in Haaretz of a series of polls taken by the Pori organization.

In 1983, 5.3% of those questioned by the pollsters said they were contemplating emigration. In 1984 the number grew to 6.1% and was 7.7% in August, 1985. In December, 1986, 9% said they would "probably" or "certainly" emigrate, the report said.

It also found the number of Israelis who justify emigration to have increased significantly. In 1984 it was 14.6%. In March, 1985 the number was 17.1% and by August of that year it was up to 20.3%.

Tough for smokers to defend behavior harmful to others

By
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BOSTON —
Last spring, at a televised seminar, the bearded and benign-looking U.S. surgeon-general, C. Everett Koop, was asked to imagine that his daughter had just brought home the man in her life. Let's call him Jerry Ash.

Jerry Ash tells Papa Koop that he hopes to marry this daughter. Having shakily delivered that sentence, the poor chap then nervously reaches for a cigarette. What does Papa Koop say next?

Well, the surgeon-general and potential father-in-law spoke right up and he didn't mince his words. Instead he Cuisinarted poor Jerry Ash.

Jerry, he said, you are a man of good taste . . . but for the butts. "You know what my parents used to call them Jerry? Coffin nails. And they were right." He went on to tell this hypothetical and sweaty suitor that his life, his whole life, is going to be changed if he keeps on smoking that stuff. Not only does it produce disease and disability but eventually death.

At the time, seated around the same seminar table and caught up in the fictional family scene, I blanched a bit for Jerry. There goes one romance up in smoke. As for Dr. Koop, he didn't win points for tact.

My reaction was mild compared to that of the man from the tobacco lobby. The smoking people have been trying to convince the American public to resolve the conflict between smokers and nonsmokers with "a daring solution: greater courtesy." But here was the surgeon-general advancing on a potential smoking-son-in-law like a mortal enemy.

Jerry Ash, however, was just a beginning. Dr. Koop has now advanced on the entire smoking population with a guilt trip entitled: "The Health Consequences of Involuntary Smoking." The 18th in a series of dire reports on the effects of tobacco focuses entirely on ETS, environmental tobacco smoke, or passive smoking. Jerry is not just risking his own health by lighting up, says the report. He's a menace to others.

Passive smoking may not be as lethal as active. Second-hand smoke does come with a discount in risk. But this thorough and convincing report documents the real danger to those who share the same air. To put it in Koop's bluntest father-in-law voice: "Involuntary smoking is a cause of disease, including lung cancer, in healthy nonsmokers."

At home, the children of parents who smoke show the effects in their respiratory system. Smokers are making their own kids sick. At work, not even the simple separation of smokers eliminates all the effects of ETS if they share the same air space. Smokers are making their co-workers sick.

This study arrives, well-timed, as smokers gradually are being forced to relinquish their claim of air rights. They have been driven to the back of the plane and the corner of the restaurant. In 40 states and 400 municipalities, the right to puff in public is restricted. In 10 states, there are laws about smoking in the workplace. Even the military, whose motto was "smoke if you got 'em," is trying to restrict tobacco and the federal government is setting up nonsmoking work areas.

It's been hard for smokers to defend addictive and unhealthy behavior. It's much harder to defend addictive and unhealthy behavior that's also harmful to others.

The tobacco people, who worry more about social pressure than about lung cancer, emphysema or heart disease, have tried to portray the active nonsmoker as both rabid and rude. They insist righteously on the need for courtesy, on the importance of avoiding a mid-air collision at work or home.

Indeed, the Tobacco Institute, which disputes this report (it also disputes that smoking causes lung cancer), would have us believe that smokers and nonsmokers can share space like the cowmen and the farmers. Maybe so, but only on the open range and when the wind is in the right direction.

In everyday life, smoke travels. Giving smokers equal rights to the air is like giving toxic-waste polluters equal rights to the water. This is not a matter of etiquette but of health. As Dr. Koop writes, "The choice to smoke cannot interfere with the nonsmokers' right to breathe air free of tobacco smoke."

Is the surgeon-general persecuting smokers? Nah. Some of his best friends may even be smokers. He just doesn't want your daughter to marry one.

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Mariasins reportedly will be let out soon

By
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TORONTO —
It appears that two long-term Refuseniks will soon be able to leave the Soviet Union.

B'nai B'rith Canada has learned that the Canadian embassy in Moscow was recently informed twice by a senior Soviet official that cancer patient Lea Mariasin and her husband Alexander, Refuseniks for 15 years, will soon be able to join her sister and brother-brother-in-law Mara and Eugene Katz here.

Ellen Kaychuck, BB's director of public affairs, said in a telephone conversation that Eugene Katz approached her in mid-December expressing his concern about Mariasin's worsening condition. Using this as a lever, she contacted an official at External Affairs in Ottawa asking if anything could be done.

This official then contacted the Canadian embassy in Moscow and was told less than a week later that "the case had been resolved several days earlier."

Kaychuck said the embassy asked a second time and was again told that the couple would be granted exit visas. Then the official contacted the Mariasins and told them to go to the Ovir office "and see if the response was different," which it was.

The Ovir office refused permission but Kaychuck says the fact that the information was given twice to the embassy "gives us cause to be optimistic."

Mariasin is one of six Soviet cancer patients on whose behalf Dr. Gerald Batist of Montreal has been advocating on humanitarian grounds. Batist is founder of International Cancer Patients Solidarity Committee and contends that these patients, two of whom have already been released, need to be reunited with their families and have treatment that is only available in the West.

Like Kaychuck and the Katzes, he greets this news "with cautious optimism."

In Montreal, lawyer Irwin Cotler announced that Yuri Tarnopolsky, a 10-year Refusenik and former Prisoner of Conscience, has received permission to leave the Soviet Union with his wife, Olga, and daughter, Irina.

The McGill law professor said the chemist and poet, who spent three years in a Siberian labor camp on charges of anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda, will be free to leave on Jan. 21.

"State reasons"

Tarnopolsky was one of the founders of an unofficial "Jewish university" in Kharkov for children of Refuseniks who were not permitted higher education because of their parents' applications to emigrate.

It was because of this activity, that he was arrested and subsequently lost his job. Despite everything, he continued to speak out publicly against the plight of Refuseniks and wrote an account of their life in which he described that group as "an oppressed Jewish minority ... created in the USSR," denied protection by "the Soviet constitution and Soviet law" and whose "fate is in the hands of the secret police."

His case drew international attention when his daughter, then 12, appealed for her father's freedom in a letter to former Soviet President Yuri Andropov. She received no reply but one month to the day she sent it, her father was sentenced to the labor camp.

In Montreal, Cotler says the Soviet Union now is conducting "a public relations offensive magisterially organized by Mikhail Gorbachev" but one which has little or no change in human rights policies including the emigration of Soviet Jews.

In an interview with JTA upon his return from the recent review conference on the Helsinki Accords in Vienna, Cotler said that the strategy is characterized by the release of high-profile Refuseniks and dissidents such as Andrei Sakharov and his wife Yelena Bonner, from internal exile in the closed city of Gorky.

Other facets of the offensive which Cotler called "unprecedented in Soviet history" are the numerous articles in the Soviet press denouncing the conviction of innocent people; the enactment of new emigration statutes — the first codification of emigration regulations; and Gorbachev's new, seemingly open style of diplomacy.

Cotler said he met with two senior Soviet officials who stressed that changes would be implemented but would take some time to effect. They told him "a spirit of mutual trust and goodwill" was needed.

It was then that the law professor said that he brought up the case of Ida Nudel, a Refusenik for 15 years who wants to join her sister, Ilana Fridman, in Israel. Cotler has worked on Nudel's behalf for the last eight years.

The officials said there were "state reasons" which prevented her departure.

Cotler said he responded to that by "quoting Gorbachev himself who declared that no one can invoke state reasons after a lapse of more than 10 years."

Cotler said he told them that until Nudel's case is resolved "nobody is going to believe your statements on human rights."

He added that "Ida Nudel is a symbol for the fate of Soviet Jewry as a whole" — for the tens of thousands of Refuseniks, some in detention for their justified and legal right to emigration.

"The question remains: Is what is now going on in the USSR a mere 'curtain of words' (so characterized by Natan Scharansky) or will it open a window of light for the humiliated and persecuted people in the Soviet Union?"

Seen with British Columbia Premier William Vander Zalm (centre) are members of a delegation from Canadian Jewish Congress (Pacific Region) including (from left) Erwin Nest, Dr. Robert Knell, Sharon Kates and Irvine Epstein.

CJCers meet Vander Zalm

VANCOUVER —
British Columbia Premier William Vander Zalm recently told a delegation from Canadian Jewish Congress (Pacific Region) that he will consult with the organization in dealing with matters affecting the province's cultural communities.

In his remarks to the delegation, led by Dr. Robert Krell, chairman of Pacific Region, the new premier complimented Congress for its participation with and concern for cultural communities and other minority groups in the province.

The delegation urged the government to assume a leadership role on a number of issues. Among the issues raised were: hate literature and racism; Nazi War Criminals and the Deschenes Commission; Holocaust denial and its role in anti-semitism; the plight of Soviet Jewry; the identification of the Canadian (and BC) Jewish community with Israel and the potential for increased provincial projects with Israel; as well as multicultural concerns such as the rights of native peoples, Japanese-Canadian redress, and religion in public schools.

Vander Zalm expressed interest in the liaison committees established by the Congress (Pacific Region) Jewish Parliamentary Affairs Committee, chaired by Sharon Kates.

Kates outlined the region's plans to set up IPAC liaison groups to meet with all members of the provincial legislature to acquaint them with matters of concern to the Jewish community.

"This development was welcomed by the premier who emphasized his intention to establish such open lines of communication," she said.

Other members of the delegation included Irvine Epstein, honorary national vice-president; and Erwin Nest, executive director of Pacific Region.

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QUESTION: Two men appear as witnesses before a Jewish Court of Law (Beit Din): One is a Sabbath observant person, whose record shows that he was once convicted of a crime. The other is a non-observant, but honest business man. Which one would the Beit Din consider more trustworthy? — Cantor Zvi Slotki, Portland, Oregon.

Rabbi Burak

There is a mussar concept that says: "Ninety per cent truth, is one hundred per cent falsehood." This maxim should be seen as guide to the value of the evidence given by a flawed character.

A Beth Din does not consider which witness is better than the other. A man who knowingly violates a Torah principle is automatically disqualified from being a witness when halacha requires one. That is the way our sages interpreted Exodus, Chapter 23:1: "Do not accept the wicked as a witness." The standard translations give it in these words: "Put not thy hand to the wicked to be an unrighteous witness."

The law, however, is actually far stricter than that. You don't have to prove that a man is wicked in order to make his testimony unacceptable. There are other grounds on which he can be excluded.

Here is the way Tractate Sanhedrin, 24B, gives us the rule, and from this text it went straight into the Code: "And these are ineligible to be witnesses: A gambler with dice, a usurer, a pigeon-trainer (for thieving) and traders (in the produce) of the sabbatical year."

In the Talmudic view, one who makes his living by gambling on the roll of the dice, pigeon or horse races, and other such activities, is not part of our civilization. His view of life is so different as to be meaningless in a Din Torah.

Occasionally, suspicion of immorality is sufficient to block a man from serving as a witness, as is seen in this discussion in Tractate Sanhedrin, 26B: "One who is suspected of adultery is eligible as a witness." For all that Rav Nachman was a superior judge, he did not get away with that ruling.

Said Rav Sheshes to him: "Answer me, Master: forty stripes on his shoulder, and yet (you say) he is eligible!" Raba observed: "Even Rav Nachman admits that he is incompetent to testify in matrimonial matters."

But, there is one factor that must be considered in all such disqualification of a witness, and that is: intention. Suppose a man sins, but he is unaware that it is a sin, what then? Nay, more, suppose he had no intention of rebelling against Hashem and His Torah, but thought he was actually doing a mitzvah, and that the rabbis who told him not to do it were wrong, what then?

Tractate Sanhedrin, 26B, once again supplies us with such a case: "Certain gravediggers buried a corpse on the first day of 'Atzeres (Shavuoth), so, Rav Papa excommunicated them, and disqualified them as witnesses. Rav Huna the son of Rav Yehoshuah removed their disqualification. . . . They might have thought that they were doing a good deed."

This ruling went from the Talmud into the Code, H.M. Chapter 34:4, and in the gloss, Piske Teshuvah, the Gaon Rabbi Akiva Eger z.l. is cited to the effect that nowadays men are not aware that the use of a razor on their beards is a disqualification.

In the Code, H.M. Chapter 34:24, it is stated that one who makes a knot on Shabbes is not automatically disqualified; he may be unaware that it is a sin.

One might wonder, then, whether a man who hears his rabbi say that it's a mitzvah to drive to shul on Shabbes is disqualified or not, since he believes his rabbi.

"Beyond the bounds" of NB cities

Ross file turned over to RCMP

By
PAUL LUNGEN

FREDERICTON, NB — There's a new twist to the Malcolm Ross story.

Police departments in Newcastle and Chatham which had been investigating allegations that Ross promoted hatred against Jews have turned their files over to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Hubert Robicheau, head of the RCMP investigation unit, confirmed recently that the Mounties have begun to review the documentation "to see if there's a basis for an investigation." Robicheau said he doesn't "expect it will take too long."

The two police departments requested that the federal force take over the case because "the subject went beyond the bounds of their communities," according to David Hitchcock, director of policing services of the justice department in Fredericton.

Interviews would have to be conducted outside the communities as well as an investigation of the distribution of the three books in question, he said.

Ross, a schoolteacher, has been the subject of other police investigations during the past year. Dr. Julius Israeli of Newcastle, a retired chemistry professor, leveled complaints that Ross promoted hatred against Jews through three books — The Web of Deceit, The Real Holocaust and The Battle for Truth.

New Brunswick Attorney General David Clark declined to prosecute Ross, saying the books were no longer available. However reporters found copies of the books in New Brunswick public libraries soon after Clark's statement.

Then, in a letter to the Miramichi Leader, Ross expounded on his views of a world Jewish conspiracy he said was trying to undermine Western society and offered to send the books to interested readers (CJN Dec. 4).

That prompted Israeli to issue a new complaint, which, following instructions from Robert Murray, the director of public prosecutions, he filed with the Chatham and Newcastle police.

An editorial in the Miramichi Leader called the steps Israeli has been forced to take to restart the investigation a "bureaucratic shuffle." Clark may have been hoping the matter would simply die from lack of interest...Clark will have to face the issue, even though he shows every sign of not wanting to."

Columnist Don Hoyt, writing in the Saint John Telegraph-Journal, wrote that "as much as New Brunswick's minister of justice might like the issue to fade away, it's unlikely to happen."

Ross' letter, which claimed to represent a "Christian" point of view, drew condemnatory responses from spokesmen of a number of New Brunswick churches. United Church Rev. Jim Leland was first, writing that the Woolastook Presbytery of the United Church expressed its "anger at such distortions of our Judaic-Christian theological heritage."

That was followed by letters to the Miramichi Leader and Telegraph-Journal from Edward Troy, Roman Catholic bishop of the diocese of Saint John, who condemned Ross' letter as hatemongering.

Subsequently, Anglican Archbishop Harold Nutter wrote in New Brunswick newspapers that "Ross' view of Christianity is in direct conflict with the traditional view of the Christian Church in regard to persons of the Jewish faith."

Nutter "deplored" **anti-semitism as well as Ross' claim to purport to speak for Christians.**

In a telephone interview with The CJN, Troy said his letter was prompted by Ross' claim that his anti-Jewish views were of Christian inspiration.

"My initial reaction was that (Ross' letter) was pretty outrageous. I didn't think anyone would give it credence."

Troy said he felt it was his duty to do his part as a leader in the Catholic community to voice a "public repudiation" of Ross, denying his views are representative of the Catholic and Christian tradition.

The response from within his diocese to his condemnatory letter has been "very good," the bishop added. Though Troy said he is too unfamiliar with the law to encourage legal action, he was "disturbed that (Ross' claims) not go unchecked. I felt that what he wrote had the effect of fostering prejudice and hatred and somehow this had to be checked."

The groundswell of condemnation for Ross indicated his views are not well received, Troy said. "He's not going to win any converts in this case."

Meanwhile, in Halifax, producers of the CBC regional current affairs show *Inquiry* are in the midst of work on a documentary on the Ross affair. The half-hour program is tentatively scheduled to air on Feb. 12 and will attempt to put Ross' views in perspective, contrasting him to others with similar views in Canada and the United States.

Denver board will vote on razing Golda's home

DENVER (JTA) — The City of Denver may succeed in doing what the combined Arab armies never could — destroying Golda Meir's home.

The International Jewish News reports that the Denver building department board of appeals is set to vote this week whether to order the demolition of the Golda Meir House, the home of the late Israeli Premier from 1913-14.

The board decided last month to postpone its final decision on an appeal by local residents Mel and Esther Cohen of a demolition decision reportedly backed by Mayor Federico Pena. They were representing the Golda Meir Memorial Association.

To save the house, the board ordered the association to demonstrate by Jan. 15 that it can restore, relocate and utilize the building, entailing an extensive list of conditions that could cost up to $150,000.

Meanwhile, the association must provide additional security for the ramshackle structure, now stored on girders in a park here.

Building department inspectors told the board that the house is dangerous because of structural weakness that could not practically be restored due to deterioration.

Paul Hoskins, director of the city's Community Development Agency, said that the city has spent upward of $27,000 and staff time on utilizing the house over the last six years.

The association asked for six months to begin its efforts to create a memorial to Meir with the house. It now is seeking funding from foundations as well as voluntary labor.

Israel may pay more for oil

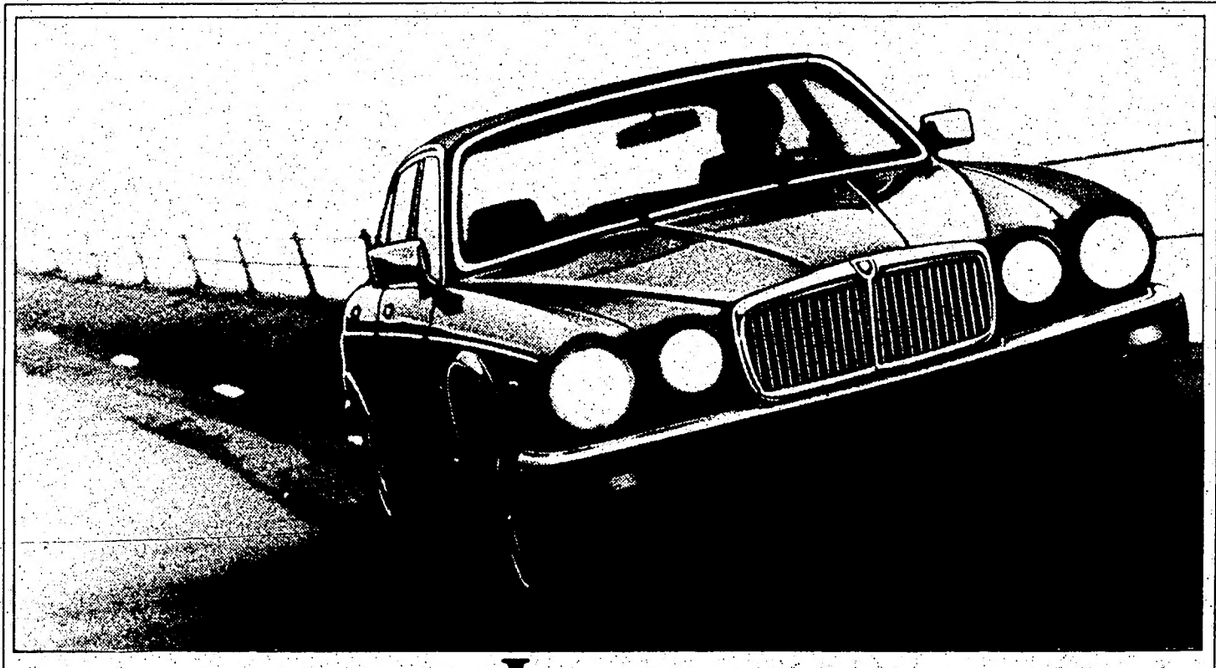
By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — Israel, which has been buying oil at about $12 a barrel from Egypt during the past year may be forced to spend an extra 50% or more during 1987, Jerusalem sources indicated.

Under a new agreement signed by representatives of the two governments in Cairo, Israel is to buy 2 million tons of crude oil, mainly light and medium crude, in 1987. No prices were set in advance for shipments which will be allowed to fluctuate in response to world oil price movements.

According to oil market analysts in London, the price will average about $18 or $20 in the new year if OPEC members maintain their discipline and will not cheat on production quotas.

Since their peace agreement in 1979 that cost Israel the Sinai oil fields, Egypt has been supplying Israel with 2 million tons each year or about 30% of its requirements. The spot market and Mexico have been providing Israel with the remainder of its oil needs, each about one-third of the imports.



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Incident during Halevi-Long confrontation

No charges are planned against gun-wielder

By
PAUL LUNGEN

INNISFAIL, Alta. —
An investigation by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has determined that no criminal charges are warranted against a man wielding a gun during an altercation in September between Jewish Defence League chief Meir Halevi of Toronto and white supremacist Terry Long.

In announcing its conclusions recently, the RCMP acknowledged the man, standing inside Long's proposed Aryan Nations compound in Caroline, Alta., was in possession of a firearm. The RCMP determined that during the height of the incident the weapon was pointed briefly "in the general direction of Halevi" and shortly afterwards at Long as well.

"Mere possession on private property in circumstances such as existed doesn't constitute a criminal act," the RCMP stated. "Accordingly, no criminal charges are warranted."

A review by senior officials of the attorney general's department in Red Deer came to the same conclusion, RCM Police spokesman Carson Carter said here.

The "altercation" arose during a visit by Halevi, U.S. JDL leader Irv Rubin and Calgary JDL representative David Strauss to property owned by Long which he intends to turn into a compound for the anti-semitic Aryan Nations group.

During a heated verbal exchange between Halevi and Long, Halevi reached over the fence surrounding the property and apparently attempted to strike Long. It was during that altercation that the man allegedly wielded the gun at Halevi (CJN Oct. 2).

Two days later, Halevi laid a complaint with the local RCMP detachment, which began a 2-month investigation. At one point, based on still photographs and interviews with witnesses, the RCMP "thought a charge was conceivable," Carter said.

However, once television videotapes of the scene were reviewed, it appeared the gun was in motion and not being pointed. He said RCM Police were about 150 feet from the altercation and could not see what transpired.

Carter said following Halevi's complaint, Long also called for an investigation, alleging assault by Halevi. Noting no contact was made when Halevi swung at Long, the RCMP determined no charges were warranted:

"The apparent attempt to strike Long was nothing more than an incidental part of the mutual posturing and provocation engaged in by the two men, in large measure, a staged media event."

Carter acknowledged the RCMP also investigated the background of the man in possession of the rifle. According to Halevi, Long told him during their exchange that the man was an ex-SS officer.

Carter said the police investigation found that claim "has not been substantiated" and the comment is "untrue." He said the police file on the man was transmitted to the Deschenes Commission, which recently completed its investigation into Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Halevi told The CJN in Toronto he planned to travel again to Alberta shortly to lay a private information and take the case to court. "I'll raise hell if nothing is done about the guy who wielded the gun," he said.

Backpack found on bank of St. Clair River

Authorities search for missing Israeli tourist

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
A joint investigation by Canadian and American authorities is underway to determine the whereabouts of an Israeli tourist who disappeared on his way to Los Angeles after visiting Toronto.

Amnon Reisner, 24, disappeared Dec. 17 while traveling from Toronto to Los Angeles. Three days later, Marysville police found his backpack on the bank of the St. Clair River in Marysville, Mich. 8 kilometres downstream from Sarnia, Ont.

Edward Kidder, Marysville assistant chief of police, told The Canadian Jewish News that while an investigation is currently underway to find Reisner, his department has run into a dead end.

The young Israeli is reported to have left his country after completing his army service and began traveling around the world.

Shimon Zelas, with Habonim Dror, a Zionist youth movement in Toronto, said Reisner settled in Los Angeles last January and remained there to September when he returned to Israel to visit his sick father.

Zelas said that after remaining in Israel for two months, Reisner tried to return to the U.S. but was told by immigration authorities to wait a few months for a second tourist visa.

Kidder confirmed this, saying that from talking with U.S. immigration officials, his understanding is that Reisner was denied a visa to return to the U.S. because it was too recent to obtain a second one.

Unable to return to his apartment in Los Angeles, Reisner went to London, England to visit friends and, after again being rejected for a U.S. visa, decided he was going back, despite his friends' objections.

Amnon Reisner

While in Toronto, Reisner talked with Michael Kuehn from British Columbia and was eventually dropped off at the bus depot and was supposedly headed to Windsor. However when his backpack was found on the riverbank, it contained a ticket to Sarnia.

Speculating on what happened to the Israeli, Kidder thinks that Reisner may have tried to enter the U.S. illegally. A Marysville police scuba team searched the St. Clair River, but failed to turn up anything.

Zelas said that while Reisner was a trained scuba diver in the Israel Defence Forces, he does not believe he tried to swim the St. Clair River, which divides the U.S. and Canada.

"I don't believe he would be alive and well and not contact his father or his girlfriend," said Zelas, explaining that Reisner's girlfriend was supposed to meet him in Los Angeles at Christmas time. "I feel something has happened."

Reisner is described as 5 ft. 8 inches and 145 pounds, has close-cropped brown hair, green eyes, a deep tan and an athletic build. He speaks with a distinct accent and is believed to have been wearing blue jeans and a green coat.

As well as involving the Marysville police, the hunt for Reisner has involved the Israeli consulates in Toronto and Chicago, the U.S. state department, Canadian officials, the RCMP, the OPP, and Sarnia police.

Ontario Provincial Police officials in the Criminal Investigation Branch reported that an investigation was recently initiated, but so far have nothing to report.

Zelas said that if anyone has seen Reisner to call him at (416) 633-3508.

"Substantial" sentence is sought for Pollard

WASHINGTON (JTA) —
The Justice Department has asked the federal District Court here to sentence former U.S. Navy intelligence analyst Jonathan Pollard to a "substantial period of incarceration and a monetary fine" for his espionage activities on behalf of Israel.

A 56-page sentencing memorandum filed by the department said that Pollard, 32, had compromised more than 1,000 classified documents and may have exposed the cover of U.S. agents overseas as a paid spy for Israel. Pollard, who was arrested in November, 1985, pleaded guilty to espionage charges last June in a plea agreement with the justice department. He faces a sentence of up to life imprisonment and a $250,000 fine.

The memorandum stated: "During the approximately 18 months that the defendant was selling U.S. secrets to Israel, more than a thousand classified documents were compromised, the majority of which were detailed analytical studies containing technical calculations, graphs and satellite photographs. . . . A substantial number of these documents were hundreds of pages in length. More than 800 of these documents were classified top secret."

The memorandum stated further that "disclosure of such specific information to a foreign power, even an ally of the United States, exposes these human sources of information, and U.S. analytical personnel to potential intelligence targeting."

The memorandum charged that Pollard, a civilian employee of the Navy for six years and most recently an analyst at the Anti-Terrorism Alert Center of the Naval Intelligence Service, received tens of thousands of dollars from Israeli officials. His motivation, according to the justice department, was greed.

"Throughout his relationship with the Israelis, the lure of money motivated and eventually consumed the defendant," the memorandum said.

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Shamir seeks compromise on "Who is a Jew"

Storm brews in the Knesset over Miller case

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

The perennial controversy over religious pluralism in Israel and its political ramifications threatened to boil over last week as a new vote loomed in the Knesset on the divisive Who is a Jew amendment and the government was under orders by the Supreme Court to register as a Jew American immigrant Shoshana Miller, who was converted by a Reform rabbi (CJN Jan. 8).

Yitzhak Peretz, leader of the ultra-Orthodox Shas Party, resigned as interior minister rather than carry out the order. His portfolio was taken over temporarily by Premier Yitzhak Shamir.

Peretz threatened at a press conference that Shas would quit the unity coalition government unless the issue is resolved within two weeks.

As the religious parties pressed for speedy vote on the Who is a Jew amendment, Shamir tried to defuse the crisis. He said he supported the amendment in principle but thought it best not to raise the matter in the Knesset immediately. The amendment would, in effect, invalidate conversions by non-Orthodox rabbis.

The Labor Party served notice that it will vote en bloc against it.

Shamir, meanwhile, in an apparent move to appease the Orthodox factions, said that as acting interior minister, he would postpone registering Miller as a Jew for the time being. He reportedly was waiting for a legal opinion on whether the court order need be complied with within 30 days after it was issued.

Shamir said the best solution to the controversy would be an agreement among all three streams in Judaism — Orthodox, Reform and Conservative. He said he would support any attempt to reach such an understanding.

Outgoing Minister Peretz, who formally resigned last week, accused Reform Judaism of "destroying Israel" and maintained that the recognition of Reform conversions was the "greatest tragedy which has befallen the people of Israel."

Peretz, who heads the ultra-Orthodox Shas Party, offered those opinions in a "farewell interview" on Israel Radio.

"Those people (the Reform communities in Israel) are destroying Israel. They are bringing the Jewish people to destruction, to assimilation, Why do the government heads not wake up? Where are they?" asked Peretz, an Orthodox rabbi.

He accused the government of "dealing with trivialities in the face of the greatest danger ever facing Israel — even more serious than Israel's defence problems, or the economic situation or the tax reform question."

According to Peretz: "The day will come when this government will stand before the historic judgment of the people of Israel. The day will come when this government will have to answer because it is about to give official approval for the entrance of Reform organizations into Israel."

Missing son in Lebanon

Soldier's mother issues appeal

TORONTO —

The mother of Zachary Baumel, one of three Israeli soldiers missing in action in Lebanon since the 1982 war, has appealed to Canadian Jews for help in achieving the safe return of the three men.

Zachary Baumel was one of six soldiers in two disabled tanks left behind when Israeli forces withdrew after the battle of Sultan Yakob in eastern Lebanon, Miriam Baumel said in a letter to The Canadian Jewish News.

Two soldiers subsequently released were fellow crewmen in Baumel's tank. One was Hezi Shai who was held incommunicado by Achmed Jibril's terror group for about two years and repatriated in a 1985 prisoner exchange. He was visited by a Syrian officer after a year while Syria claimed to know nothing about his whereabouts.

The other was Arik Lieberman who was released in June 1984, in an exchange with Syria.

In the 1984 exchange, four bodies were turned over to Israel but it was determined that only one was the body of an Israeli soldier (Zohar Lifshitz) while the other three were unknown Arabs, Mrs. Baumel said.

Missing along with Zachary Baumel is Zvi Feldman and Yehuda Katz, who served in the tank under the command of Lifshitz.

"We have received a constant flow of information, both from news media people as well as Arab sources, that more Israeli soldiers are being held in captivity," said Mrs. Baumel.

"This reached a climax this summer when a reporter told my husband in the presence of government personnel that he had seen Zack in captivity in an area controlled by Syria," she added.

The Red Cross said it is powerless to get access to the Israeli prisoners without the participation of the governments and parties concerned, Mrs. Baumel stated. The incarceration of Hezi Shai has shown that the Arabs are willing and able to hide prisoners for long periods of time, she said.

"Your government has good contacts with countries who influence Syria (e.g. Spain, Yugoslavia, Saudi Arabia, Algeria), and Syria is the key to the problem," because the Israelis are being held in territory under its control, Mrs. Baumel said.

According to the Geneva Convention of 1949, Part II, Article 12, PoW's are the responsibility of the country in which they were last seen, not with the group of people capturing them.

In June 1982, the international media, quoting Syrian sources, reported that Israeli soldiers were displayed in a parade in the streets of Damascus, Mrs. Baumel said. "It is now evident that those displayed could only have been the missing soldiers," she said.

"We ask our Jewish brethren throughout the world to not be silent, but contact all the political and humanitarian people they know to evoke their real and constant interest in this matter, and ask for assistance."

"Any suggestions you may have would be most welcome," Mrs. Baumel said.

Miriam Baumel's address is 22/6 Bayit Vegan St., Jerusalem.

"Greatest enemy of South Africa"

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

A Jewish congressman from Michigan, Democrat Howard Wolpe, has been called the foremost political foe of South Africa by that country's Foreign Minister Roelof (Pik) Botha.

Botha made the characterization when he refused the request for entry visas by a group of 20 congressmen (including Wolpe) and their aides.

Attacking Wolpe personally, Botha said: "I do not think you will find anywhere in the world a man who is more vicious and vindictive against this country than that particular gentleman. I cannot think of a greater enemy of South Africa, even in the kremlin."

Wolpe, chairman of the House of Representatives foreign affairs subcommittee on Africa, called the denial of a visa "a gesture fit for an ostrich. There is no way that hiding South Africa's anguish from 20 members of the U.S. Congress will somehow make the anguish disappear."

The congressman, who was to head one of two delegations that asked for visas, has been a leader in the campaign in Congress for U.S. economic sanctions as a means to help end apartheid and bring majority rule in South Africa.

He and Senator Edward Kennedy are reportedly the most disliked American politicians by the South African government. Botha's description of Wolpe was harsher than anything previously noted the government had asserted about Kennedy.

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ANSWERS:

(1) the Jewish Town Hall in Prague.
(2) Yidgal and Ani Ma-amin.
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By DAVID BIRKAN

Meyer Lansky died at 81 in Miami Beach's Mount Sinai Medical Centre on Jan. 15, 1983. The underworld's financial wizard passed his final years rejected and alone.

Born Meir Suchowijansky in Grodno, Poland, Lansky came to the U.S. as a young child. Grinding poverty, disorientation and bewilderment engulfed arrivals from Eastern Europe, in an emigration at least as large as that of the expulsion from Spain in 1492. Families back home sent packages of food and clothing as best they could. Employment and business opportunities were limited to the initiative of the immigrants themselves: peddling, running rooming houses, and organizing or working for needle sweatshops. Social historians marvel how relatively few immigrants succumbed to the temptation of applying their mind and arm to crime.

At 16, Meir, 5-ft. 4 tall, was a tool-and-die apprentice who had left school with a good record and marks. He also belonged to a local street gang; membership provided a measure of protection and the potential for advancement in the world of crime. The respectability of a trade and the lure of the underworld's flashy vice lords both pulled at him. The youth's final decision was facilitated by his own act of human kindness. Screams from an abandoned tenement house drew him in to bash his crowbar on the head of a young man who was chasing a boy around a bloodied half-clothed woman. The police charged in right behind Meir and arrested all three. The boy, 12, was Benjamin — the future Bugs — Siegel. The older boy, who had just caught Benjamin making love to his own girlfriend, was the future Lucky Luciano.

Liquor syndicate

The three clicked. They became involved in local gambling, fencing, stealing, and driving getaway cars. Prohibition stimulated their careers in earnest, from shotgun guards for illegal whiskey trucks to leaders of a small gang of their own. They helped reform Mafia leaders Frank Costello, Joe Adonis and Luciano overthrow the old world Mustache Petes and establish a cooperative liquor syndicate spanning the eastern seaboard and the Great Lakes. Smuggled-in Canadian whiskey also flowed through its arteries.

Repeal in 1933 directed Lansky's now considerable assets into race tracks, casinos and legal liquor, as well as loan sharking, racketeering and drugs. Lansky invested in Costello's high paying slot machine business, kicked out of New York by mayor Fiorello LaGuardia and welcomed in New Orleans by Louisiana governor Huey Long.

Lansky invested his and his associates' money in a casino, race tracks and a dog track in the Miami area. He developed Cuba's diversions in cooperation with new ruler Fulgencio Batista — a relationship that was to last until Castro's takeover in 1959.

Lansky's business acumen, strong friendship with top boss Luciano, and inter-gang diplomacy earned him a kind of chairmanship at the table of crime leaders. He became the court Jew of the underworld.

In 1942, U.S. naval intelligence enlisted Lansky's and jailed Luciano's aid in securing the East Coast's waterfront. A year later, the partners provided the Mafia personnel to facilitate the Allied landing in Sicily. Luciano was deported to Italy in 1946, apparently giving Lansky his blessing as head of Mafia U.S. operations.

Lansky moved quickly to develop facilities for a newly prosperous postwar public. Competition was not brooked. Lansky also instituted a "laundering" network for whisking illicit funds out of the U.S. for reinvestment later in legitimate ventures; in this, comments social historian Albert Fried, Lansky "brought together the under and the upper worlds."

In 1970, Lansky was indicted for concealing $36 million in revenue from a casino's operation. He fled to Israel, but after a 2-year legal battle was refused asylum. He flew across Europe and Latin America, to be barred from one country after another. Back in Miami, he was promptly arrested. With age and bad health on his side, he managed to beat the charges.

Estimates of his personal wealth went as high as $300 million. He spent his last years in a Miami hotel room under the surveillance of his bodyguards.

Exit visa refused for son

Refusenik begins hunger strike

By WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Refusenik Dr. Alexander Ioffe began a hunger strike last Thursday in Moscow to protest the refusal of an exit visa for his son.

Dimitry Ioffe, 24, his wife, Tatyana, 23, and baby daughter Ilana sought to emigrate to Israel.

Ioffe, a 48-year-old mathematician, and his wife Rosa have been refused permission to exit for the past 10 years. He has undertaken the strike to challenge the real intent of Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev's new open policy and the USSR's new emigration laws which came into effect Jan. 1.

Judge P.T. (Ted) Matlow and Dr. Sol Goldstein of Toronto recently visited Ioffe in his home on their trip to the Soviet Union.

Matlow described Ioffe as a handsome, well-dressed man who speaks English with a Russian-Oxford accent. After a few uncomfortable minutes in their relatively large and comfortable apartment which boasts a well-organized library, Matlow said the Refusenik warmed up to the extent that he voiced his concerns about the emigration policy which had yet to become law.

Alexander Ioffe

The judge said Ioffe, who continues to work as a mathematican at an institute but in a lesser capacity than before he applied to leave, "felt that it severely restricted the rights of persons to apply for exit visas."

Goldstein's first reaction to being told of Ioffe's hunger strike was "the man doesn't have much weight to lose."

The child psychologist described him as "an intelligent, intense fellow who's very goal-directed and a real fighter."

Matlow said that of all the Refuseniks they met, "Alexander was the most singular minded and obsessed with the idea of getting out."

In a telephone conversation, Ioffe told MPs Bill Attewell and David Kilgour, chairman and past chairman, respectively, of the all-party Canadian Parliamentary Group on Soviet Jewry that his fast will last until his son and his family are released.

"He said that was his bottom line," Attewell said from Ottawa. "He said, "It's not for me but them — so they can live a meaningful life outside of Russia."

The parliamentarians told Ioffe that they intended to take vigorous action through the levels of government and especially bring the issue to the attention of External Affairs Minister Joe Clark so he can put pressure on the Soviet government.

Barbara Stern, chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress National Committee for Soviet Jewry stated Iofee's hunger strike "represents Dr. Ioffe's utter frustration."

In a telephone conversation with Stern, Anna Gonshor, chairman of the CJC's committee in Montreal, and Martin Penn, director of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, the Refusenik said: "I am deeply touched by all of your support. I hope with all my heart that we shall succeed. Today has been Canada Day ... there have been so many calls."

Stern told him: "We understand your concern for your son but our concern is for permission for the whole family and all of those others for whom you are now the symbol."

Among the others who placed calls to Ioffe was Nobel laureate Dr. Gerhard Hertzberg. He called upon the Soviets "to learn that lack of observation of human rights not only seems inhuman and uncivilized to us but prevents many people in the West from trusting the promises of the Soviet government with regard to arms control."

Ioffe's statement to Gorbachev reads: "The refusal given to our son is a way to exert pressure on us, on me in particular .... This is a sort of hostage-taking and a punishment for our continuing activity undertaken personally or with friends in order to get permission to leave for Israel.

"I cannot reconcile myself to all this .... I love my son and agree that he is doomed to lose his best years because that is convenient for one or another bureaucratic department.

"I must do whatever I can to help my children to escape such a fate. All means seem to have been exhausted under the present situation. Hunger strike is the only means I now have at my disposal.

"My only demand is that my son and his family be allowed to go to Israel. There is no law or morality behind the refusal to give them such a possibility. Please let him get it."

Weizmann director named

TORONTO —

Adam Kahan has been appointed executive director of the Canadian Society for The Weizmann Institute of Science, society national president H. Thomas Beck has announced.

Kahan, who served as campaign director for United Jewish Appeal of Toronto for two years, was born in South Africa and moved to Israel where he completed his Masters degree in communication.

Adam Kahan

After serving in positions with the Hebrew University and the Jewish National Fund, Kahan was the financial spokesman for the Jewish Agency and then joined the Karen Hayesod-United Israel Appeal.

He represented Karen Hayesod as senior emissary in England and South Africa, before his position with UJA in Toronto.

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Editorial

Confusing signals

Will the real Catholic Church please identify itself!

The Vatican has been sending confusing signals with regard to its stand on Jews and Judaism and on the State of Israel.

In recent weeks the Vatican's unsubtle pressure on New York City's John Cardinal O'Connor caused the prelate to cancel official meetings he had scheduled with a number of Israeli leaders because the Catholic Church is skittish about conferring any kind of recognition, official or otherwise, on Israel's right to Jerusalem (CJN Jan. 8).

In obliging the cardinal to eschew official contacts with Israelis (by meeting them in their Jerusalem offices) the church seeks to curry favor with the Arabs. It is indeed unfortunate that this ungracious motive required the Vatican to engage in such blatant and undiplomatic (insulting is probably the mot juste) gesture towards Israel.

The Vatican's move is all the more ironic in that it comes at the same time as a wing of the Catholic Church in Brazil (as reported in The New York Times Dec. 26) has just issued a comprehensive statement on Catholic-Jewish relations which is unprecedented in its desire to eliminate generations of mutual mistrust.

Brazil is the world's most populous Catholic country (with only about 170,000 Jews) and the booklet prepared under Catholic auspices — with significant Jewish input — is a milestone in affirming the Catholic Church's views on the Holocaust, anti-semitism and the history of Jews in Brazil.

An especially important part of the 187-page booklet which was distributed to Brazil's 229 Catholic archdioceses, deals with the State of Israel and recognizes "the right of Jews to a peaceful political existence in the land of their origin without this bringing injustice or violence to other peoples."

According to Rabbi Henry I. Sobel, who worked with the commission to produce the booklet, this statement has not appeared heretofore in any church document.

We hope that it represents the latest Vatican position on Israel. The Cardinal O'Connor controversy leaves some doubt on this question, however.

Splendid dramas

Lovers of Yiddish drama and Jewish theatre in general will be pleased by the phenomenon of a renascent vitality in those categories — in New York City.

The city is now featuring an English stage production of Ab Cahan's *The Rise of David Levinsky*, a novel written by the crusading editor of the Forward — in yesteryear, New York City's premier Yiddish newspaper.

The play (with several musical numbers) based on Cahan's work can be currently seen at the John Houseman Theatre on 42 St. It depicts in graphic dialogue and song the odyssey of a pious Jewish immigrant who claws his way to the top of the garment industry.

Subtle, yet powerful without being preachy, *The Rise of David Levinsky* avoids the saccharine sweetness and cloying nature characteristic of so much of the American Jewish theatre. The portrait of David Levinsky's childhood piety and adult alienation from the traditions of his people and his subsequent battle with labor unions — is done with deft and tasteful dramatic art.

Equally tasteful is the Yiddish version of Clifford Odets' play *The Flowering Peach*, playing at the Folksbiene Theatre on E. 55th St.

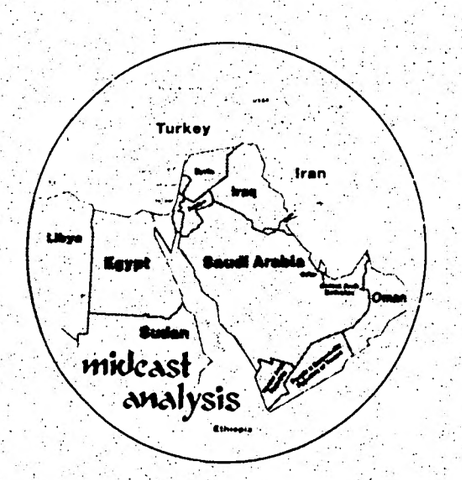
Odets' work is a poetic rendering of the saga of Noah and his sons Shem, Ham and Yaphet. The focus is on the difficulties experienced by the family as it prepares itself for the universal deluge. The Yiddish-speaking cast performs with gusto and style. The Yiddish is pure with nary an Anglicism infiltrating the dialogue.

New York audiences have responded well to these two Jewish plays. At the premiere of *The Rise of David Levinsky* the house was packed and crowds have been thronging to the performances. The Yiddish version of Odets' play, directed at a narrower audience, naturally attracts only the Yiddish-speakers in the city. *The Flowering Peach* is nonetheless a major theatrical work and is attracting good audiences.

Canadian Jews would profit greatly if these dramas could cross the border and visit playhouses in Toronto and Montreal.

Growing problems for Israel on West Bank

Time works against moderates



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

A succession of ugly events has rocked the West Bank of late, proving yet again that Israel must pay a heavy price to retain a firm grip on that contested area taken by the Israeli army nearly 20 years ago.

Palestinian unrest there has even spilled into the eastern half of Jerusalem, annexed by Israel in the immediate aftermath of the Six Day War.

Despite the violence, Israel is steadily consolidating its hold on the West Bank, a parcel of land allotted to the Palestinians under the 1947 United Nations Palestine partition plan and occupied by Jordan until the lightning Israeli conquest.

The latest turbulence to sweep over the West Bank occurred last month, when a minor dispute over a checkpoint near the town of Ramallah flared into the most serious confrontation between Palestinians and the Israeli army since 1982.

The clashes, which resulted in the deaths of four Palestinians, were yet another expression of opposition to Israeli rule and a manifestation of solidarity with Palestinians fighting Shiites in Lebanon.

Prior to these disturbances, a series of gruesome incidents shook East Jerusalem, populated in the main by Palestinian Arabs.

In October, following a number of stabbings of Jews by Palestinians, Palestinian terrorists hurled grenades into a large crowd of Israeli soldiers and their families around the Western Wall, killing one Jew and injuring 69.

About one month later, a 22-year-old Jewish student named Eliyahu Amedi was set upon by three Arab assailants and stabbed repeatedly. After he died of his wounds, Jews — many of whom were religious — went on a rampage, throwing firebombs and stones at Arabs and vandalizing Arab-owned cars, stores and homes.

Teddy Kollek, the widely-respected mayor of Jerusalem, described the rioting as the worst in two decades.

Analysts do not believe that the situation will get any better, either on the West Bank or in Jerusalem.

Palestinian nationalism, fanned by the organizational ability of the PLO, is growing. It is matched by a corresponding militancy among Jews, particularly those who subscribe to right-wing messianic beliefs.

According to a recent survey carried out by the Palestinian newspaper Al-Fajr, the Australian Broadcasting Corp. and the U.S. daily Newsday, Palestinians hold far more hardline views than some Israelis usually attribute to them.

A medic treats Eliyahu Amedi who was stabbed by three Palestinian assailants in the Moslem quarter of Jerusalem.

The majority of the respondents support the concept of armed struggle and dream of dismantling Israel.

Paul Ajlouny, the publisher of Al-Fajr, concedes that the results are "very bleak and very sad." But, he adds, "this is the reality."

On the Israeli side, polls show a hardening of Jewish opinion toward the idea of territorial compromise to achieve a peace settlement with the Arabs.

In other words, the historic Jewish-Palestinian impasse is deepening, paradoxically at a time when Israel is at peace with its largest Arab neighbor, Egypt, and when prospects for an accommodation with Jordan are not entirely out of the question.

There is no doubt that Israel's occupation of the West Bank has become a burden for Israel itself and a rallying cry for Palestinian nationalists throughout the Arab world.

Abba Eban, chairman of the Knesset's foreign affairs and defence committee, says openly that the West Bank could become "another Lebanon" if Israel does not cease its rule over it.

Disputing the thesis that Israel's security requires permanent control of the West Bank, Eban claims that it can be achieved through demilitarization of the West Bank, selective boundary changes and deterrent power.

True or not, Eban's views are strongly opposed by at least 50% of Israelis. Furthermore, the Labor Party, of which he is a prominent member, is not in a position to implement his ideas as long as it governs the country together with Likud.

Time is working against moderates like Eban, for the longer the occupation goes on, the more militant the Palestinians become and the harder it will be to undo the "facts" that Israel has created on the ground.

Ultimately, no occupation can be benign. Although it has brought some benefits to the 800,000 Palestinians of the West Bank, it has also brought suffering and repression.

New Israeli agricultural methods have enabled Palestinian farmers to increase their crop yields, and the Open Bridges policy initiated by the late Moshe Dayan has ensured relative freedom of movement between the West Bank and Jordan.

The illiteracy rate has dropped considerably, health and sanitation standards have improved somewhat, six Palestinian universities have been permitted to be established, an Arab bank has been reopened, an international telephone dialing system has been introduced and greater flexibility is being displayed by the Israeli authorities in approving economic projects that do not compete with Israeli industries.

However, Israeli-style democracy has been stamped out, and Israel has rejected calls for free elections. The only Arab mayors have been appointed in cooperation with Jordan, whose alliance with the PLO is now a thing of the past.

In response to a spate of terrorist attacks in 1985, Israeli Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin — who is responsible for West Bank affairs — has revived the hated policy of administrative detentions and deportations, suspended by Menachem Begin when he was Prime Minister. Late last year, in the most celebrated case so far, the editor of an East Jerusalem newspaper accused of belonging to the PLO was expelled, becoming the first Palestinian editor in 14 years to suffer that fate.

There has been a reduction in the censorship of books, but two newspapers and one magazine, as well as universities, have been closed.

Clearly, Israel has been doing whatever it can to extinguish the flame of pro-PLO Palestinian nationalism, but with little success.

Israel's inability to eliminate that phenomenon hardly means that Israel hasn't been able to control the West Bank. But how long can Israel keep a lid on the Palestinians? As Abba Eban pointed out in a recent piece in The New York Times, "there is no precedent for believing that this condition can long endure without explosion."

Meanwhile, Israel is increasing its presence on the West Bank.

Fifteen thousand Jews have settled there since 1984, bringing to 60,000 the number of Jewish settlers on the West Bank.

Today, West Bank towns like Maale Adumim, Ariel and Emmanuel, which are virtually satellite communities of Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, have become the fastest growing suburbs of Israel.

At the insistence of the Labor Party, the national unity government can build only a limited number of new settlements on the West Bank. But there are no restrictions on expanding old ones, and Likud is exploiting this loophole to the hilt, thereby further foreclosing the possibility, such as it is, of a compromise peace agreement.

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Opinion

Hits back at "malicious, vicious slander"

Kimche voices Israel's frustration on Iran scandal

By
EDWIN. BLACK

CHICAGO —

David Kimche, the former director-general of Israel's foreign ministry who helped coordinate the Iranian arms deal, has declared in an interview that had he known in advance of the Contras connection, he would have never permitted Israel to participate in the operation.

Moreover, he openly ridiculed the notion that he or any other Israeli might have originated the scheme to divert funds to the Nicaraguan rebels.

During a wide-ranging trans-Atlantic telephone interview, Kimche, reached at his home in Israel, repeated his vehement denial that he knew of the Contras connection in advance. "I learned of this affair exactly the same time that the whole United States learned it . . . the day it was published," declares Kimche. His reaction to the news was, "I thought it was ridiculous."

Because Kimche is no longer a government official, he has become Israel's unofficial "point man" on the crisis, verbalizing Jerusalem's frustration and anger. As such, Kimche again lashed out at the notion that Col. Oliver North may have accused him of originating the scheme (CJN Jan. 8).

Qualifying first, "I'm still not sure that he (North) actually did accuse me in front of the (House) foreign relations committee — because he knows the truth," Kimche denied that the word Contras was even mentioned during his two meetings with North. "In the first meeting (in a Washington restaurant in November 1985), there was another person present, (former National Security Council consultant) Michael Ledeen, who has since . . . averred that the word "contras" didn't come up during that meeting."

In a second meeting shortly thereafter in London, "there were Israelis, there were Iranians, and there was Robert McFarlane and other Americans," recalled Kimche. ". . . obviously, in such a meeting, with so many people, the subject couldn't come up. So I consider the whole thing to be ridiculous."

With some irritation, Kimche added: "If Col. North did actually say what he is supposed to have said, then he is obviously, definitely lying — he is a liar. It is a malicious, vicious slander and it means that he or somebody else is indeed trying to make me or Israel a scapegoat."

Asked if he would have permitted Israel to participate in the operation had he known of plans to divert arms proceeds to the Contras, Kimche answered, "Negative." He explained "First, from the purely professional point of view, one should never link two plans or operations together. It's almost an elementary thing, because if one falls then the other one is immediately damaged."

Kimche added: "The fact that he (North) is now saying that I proposed this is therefore also an insult to my professionalism.

"Second," Kimche continued, "this would mean that I was trying to persuade an American official to flaunt the Congress — something I would never dream of doing." Israel's veteran foreign relations specialist asserted that the Jewish state would never do anything to endanger its special relationship with Congress.

Denials and Israeli perspectives notwithstanding, Kimche also detailed why the notion that the Contras scheme originated with him is not credible on its face. "It is a dubious honor to say that I succeeded in just one small conversation to send the whole of America's policy upside down," says Kimche.

Trying to place his role in perspective, Kimche insisted, "I wasn't the guy who thought it (the Iranian arms plan) up — as some journalists disclosed, nor was I the guy who masterminded it. . . . Look, I was asked to come in to coordinate political affairs in July 1985. When I came over to the United States and tried to continue with this operation, I didn't come over as an Israeli Superman or an Israeli Mighty Mouse to bewitch the boys and make them do things they didn't want to do," he says. "I came to say this is what we in Israel are capable of doing. You people in the United States decide whether you want us to do it or not."

David Kimche

Reflecting continuing irritation over the controversy, Kimche insisted: "We did what we could to help create direct contact between the United States and Iran, which is what we were asked to do. We also did our best to bring about the release of the American hostages. . . . Israel only acted in the Iranian affair in order to help an ally. We entered in goodwill, in good faith, with a feeling that this is what we have to do in response to an ally.

"We have a clear conscience," he said. "And when I say *we*, I'm talking about myself personally and about my political mentors. I know that what we did was within the framework of the alliance and friendship we have with the United States. Everything else, as far as I'm concerned, is ridiculous."

Moshe Dayan's memory still arouses passions

By
SIMON GRIVER

JERUSALEM (WZPS) —

Five years after his death Moshe Dayan remains a figure who arouses passions. To some he was the swashbuckling hero who brought swift victory in the Six Day War, while to others he was a turncoat who treacherously legitimized the Likud by changing parties after the 1977 election. To some he was a romantic hero who epitomized the bravery of the modern sabra, while to others he was an irresponsible womanizer.

Moshe Dayan's influence over issues of war and peace remains monumental. As chief of staff in the early 1950s he built the Israel Defence Force into a modern fighting force and led it to victory in the Sinai campaign. As defence minister in 1967 he participated in the stunning success of the Six Day War and in the public eye became the main hero.

Though defence minister during the Yom Kippur War of 1973, the Agranat Commission of Enquiry cleared him of responsibility for initial losses during that war. Nevertheless, his reputation suffered enormously as a consequence and marked the beginning of his decline and eventual resignation.

But Dayan was as much a peacemaker and statesman as a soldier. He met with Jordan's Emir Abdullah and helped negotiate the armistice after the War of Independence. He conceived the policy of an open border with Jordan after 1967 and most important as foreign minister in Menachem Begin's government (which he joined after controversially leaving his own party), he was one of the architects of the Camp David Accords with Egypt.

For much of world Jewry and supporters of Israel, Dayan symbolized the sabra or native Israeli. Born in 1915 on Deganya, the first kibbutz, he grew up on Nahalal, the first moshav. His father Shmuel Dayan was a Knesset member and a leader of the moshav movement, and his mother was a popular and forceful figure in the Socialist Zionist movement.

Moshe Dayan was endowed with a fierce individualism and independence that often alienated him from Israel's establishment. After the War of Independence the IDF was made up of officers who had joined the British army and those who had fought in the Palmach.

Dayan antagonized them both. He despised British spit and polish and when he was commander of Jerusalem in 1949 he dismissed his aide-de-camp for persistently saluting and taking too much care over dress. On the other hand he felt that Palmach veterans had injected a form of elitism into the IDF that was harmful and nationally divisive. Indeed Dayan's particular talents might never have shone through if it were not for the fact that Ben-Gurion saw him as a kindred spirit and fellow maverick.

It was Ben-Gurion who insisted that Dayan become chief of staff, ensured that he be elected to the Knesset in 1959 and appointed him minister of agriculture. In his five years in that ministry, Dayan characteristically performed the unexpected. A child of the settlement movement, the agricultural establishment expected Dayan to favor their cause. But at cabinet sessions Dayan would insist that more money was needed for industrial growth, while agriculture had limited potential.

In 1965 Dayan followed, albeit reluctantly, his mentor Ben-Gurion when he split from the Mapai (Labor) party and formed his own Rafi list together with others of his closest supporters such as Shimon Peres, Yitzhak Navon and Teddy Kollek. The split was repaired before the Six Day War of 1967 when national unity became the pressing priority.

Moshe Dayan (1915-1981)

It was during this period that Dayan's popularity in Israel became apparent. As Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser threatened Israel in May 1967, there was an irresistible groundswell of opinion that Dayan be appointed minister of defence. It was generally felt that Prime Minister Levy Eshkol and his cabinet did not have the daring imagination to defeat the country's enemies.

History has proven that Dayan was the right man for the job. What was incredible was the sense of security that Dayan was able to instil — even before battle commenced. Dayan's first wife, Ruth, recalls overhearing some women chatter on the eve of the Six Day War. "Now that Dayan is minister of defence," one said, "I can sleep soundly at nights."

Moshe Dayan possessed a charisma which is the privilege of few people. This charisma often got him into deep waters and he gained a reputation for sexual profligacy. His womanizing as well as his rather high-handed attitude to people, and especially his attitude to archeological artifacts which he would acquire sometimes by dubious methods in support of his consuming hobby, were often used to depict him as a ruthless man who took whatever he wanted.

This was somewhat of an unfair caricature. The austere socialism of Degania and Nahalal always remained in his blood as did a keen sense of justice. He once caused a traffic accident through reckless driving. Unlike many of his Knesset colleagues, he waived his parliamentary immunity and insisted on standing trial. He was found guilty and had his driver's licence suspended for three months.

Though in the words of Ruth Dayan, "Women he had never met would throw themselves at his feet," Moshe Dayan was essentially a family man. Divorced from Ruth in 1971 he married his second wife Rachel, with whom he lived until his death. Dayan is also survived by two sons — Udi, who works the family plot at Nahalal, Assi, an actor and film producer and his daughter Yael, an accomplished novelist and Labor Party activist who is tipped to follow her father and grandfather into the Knesset.

Perhaps the most telling tribute to Moshe Dayan was that though he never became Prime Minister, he is still remembered as a symbol and icon of the nation. Five years after his death, his memory is still very much alive.

I recall fearing for my hat during wedding ceremony

By
ELAINE KAHN

A week in which both Cary Grant and Desi Arnaz die is not a great week in my books. I need more time to assimilate the loss than our global village media grant — Shakespeare and Cervantes died on the same day in 1616 . . . but who knew?

Although everyone my age remembers, in what has become the cliche of this generation, where they were when JFK (and probably John Lennon) died, I suspect I'm the only one who noted Judy Garland's demise in her diary and can remember exactly where she was when news came of the deaths of Groucho Marx, Elvis Presley, Marilyn Monroe and Ernie Kovacs.

I no longer find this kink in my personality endearing — it's definitely been downgraded to a neurosis, unshakeable even in the face of my strong adult belief that all people are equally "only" people, the death of a celebrity is no more or less important than anyone else's and it is weak to succumb to media images this way. It was far easier, when asked by a friend why I sounded so awful this week, to answer that the dog looked pale and I'd just killed another French violet plant than to admit I was mourning Desi and Cary. My friends put up with enough shtick from me as it is.

Of course my attraction is not only to **dead** public figures, despite the fact that the first thing I used to read in my World Book encyclopedia yearbooks were the pages listing famous people who had died the previous year — just in case I'd missed one. Nor is it rational. Two relatives told me to read People magazine's excerpts from the latest Sinatra bio, to cure me of that particular nasty attraction — it didn't work.

The highlight, for me, of our family trip to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto last year was not the prize poultry and chrysanthemums, but stumbling across a live broadcast of CBC's Radio Noon show, which that day featured former Quebec premier Rene Levesque, in all his extremely short chain-smoking glory. I couldn't take my eyes off him — which, at a fair featuring thousands of animals, presented a considerable hazard to my shoes.

I felt bad when the Levesque and Trudeau eras ended, but that says at least as much for my inability to gamble as it does for my politics. Endings are fairly sure bets for someone unable to recognize an important moment at the time it is happening (all I remember thinking about during my wedding ceremony, for example, was that it was windy and my hat might fly away).

When I recently attended the first board meeting of the New Israel Fund of Canada, I was happy to have it explicitly stated that I was munching party sandwiches at an historic occasion. Otherwise, given the absence of TV cameras and no possibility of a spread in Variety, I'd probably have missed that point.

It's not that I'm shallow, really — I think it comes from having a mother who was named after Carole Lombard.

Opinion

Lifetime of hilarious, literate prose

S.J. Perelman recalled as master of the language

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

I loathe writing. On the other hand, I'm a great believer in money. Often, when it seemed I couldn't pay the grocery bill, Providence has mysteriously intervened, and I don't mean my natal city, which can be counted on for absolutely nothing. — S. J. Perelman.

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Sidney Joseph Perelman, one of America's greatest humorists, may have been reluctant to put pen to paper. But there is no doubt that, when he committed himself to the task, he turned out hilarious, literate prose full of puns and double entendres, flashes of slang and dashes of Yiddish.

The author of 21 books (*Crazy Like A Fox, Westward Ha!, Baby, It's Cold Inside, Vinegar Puss*), innumerable essays and travel pieces, several stage plays, television scripts and a handful of memorable screenplays (*Monkey Business, Horse Feathers* and *Around the World in 80 Days*), Perelman could probably be best compared to such practitioners of the craft as James Thurber and Robert Benchley.

A small dapper man with a neatly trimmed moustache, a soft voice and sad quizzical eyes behind steel-rimmed glasses, Perelman died in October of 1979, at the age of 75. The New Yorker, to which he contributed numerous stories, said of him: "He was a master of the English language, and no one put the language to more stunning comic use than he did."

Perelman, a university dropout, had an awesome vocabulary that was the envy of writers. E.B. White, that graceful essayist, put it best when he observed: "Perelman commanded a vocabulary that is the despair (and joy) of every writing man. Sid is like a Roxy organ that has three decks, fifty stops and a pride of pedals under the bench. When he wants a word, it's there."

Despite this rare facility with words, Perelman wrote very slowly, "brooding over each word and tooling every sentence", says Dorothy Herrmann in her new biography, *S.J. Perelman: A Life (General Publishing, $30.95)*.

"I'm a bleeder," he liked to say.

The son of poor, hardworking, secular Russian Jews, Perelman was born in Providence. At the age of 13, he won an essay contest. But Perelman had no aspirations to be a writer. He wanted to be a cartoonist.

Perelman went to Brown University, but he was an indifferent student, spending most of his time composing cartoons for the Brown Jug, the college magazine. And in the year he might have graduated, he accepted a job offer from the editor of Judge, a national humor magazine that had often reprinted his cartoons.

In 1929, Perelman married Laura Weinstein, the sister of Nathanael West, the budding writer who would produce enduring novels like *The Day of the Locust* and *Miss Lonelyhearts*. Perelman and his brother-in-law would have a close relationship until the latter's untimely death in 1939 in a car accident.

The year 1929 also marked the publication of his first book, *Dawn Ginsbergh's Revenge*, which contained many of the pieces that had originally appeared in Judge. Characterized by erudite, wry prose sprinkled with occasional Yiddishisms, the book set a tone that critics liked and would continue to like far into the future.

Although Perelman did not speak Yiddish, he picked up a huge vocabulary of Yiddish words, says Herrmann. Yiddish appealed to him because it was rich in irony, vivid and down-to-earth.

After the publication of *Dawn Ginsbergh's Revenge*, Perelman started working as a playwright for Groucho Marx. He would never return to cartooning again. In some ways, he and Groucho were alike: They were both moody, temperamental, egocentric and unpredictable. In person, Perelman was not particularly funny, but usually shy and reserved and taciturn. And as he grew older, he became increasingly irascible.

The pair made a good team, but Herrmann points out that Perelman, contrary to myth, did not singlehandedly create the inimitable style of the Marx Brothers films. And she adds that he worked on two of them, *Horse Feathers* and *Monkey Business*, in collaboration with other writers and the brothers themselves.

Perelman's relations with Groucho soured, and in later years he would complain that he and his brothers had been "capricious," "disorganized," "boorish" and "ungrateful." Groucho, for his part, retorted that Perelman "could write a funny line, but never a script."

Throughout the 1930s and 1940s, whenever he was in need of money, Perelman would return to Hollywood to work in the film studios. The films he worked on, mediocre potboilers meant to divert Depression and wartime audiences, never attained the stature of his two Marx Brothers pictures.

S.J. Perelman (third from left) during the 1932 filming of Monkey Business, a Marx Brothers picture.

Perelman earned $600 a week — a princely sum in those days — but he had difficulty accepting the fact that he was financially dependent on the film industry. Like Nathanael West, a fellow script writer, he continually raged against the vulgarity and stupidity he encountered in Hollywood.

His generally low opinion of Hollywood was probably reinforced, years later, by Mike Todd, the flamboyant producer of *Around the World in 80 Days*, for which Perelman won an Oscar. Todd (whose real name was Avrom Hirsch Goldbogen) infuriated Perelman with his method of payment.

Let Perelman tell it himself: "Week after week, it took cajolery, pleas and threats of legal action to collect one's salary. All the while, of course, our impresario lived like the Medici, running up awesome bills that he waved airly away on presentation... To this day, I venture to say, nobody knows where or how Todd promoted the wherewithal to make his chef d'oeuvre, or who got what share of the golden hoard. All I know is that my pittance was extracted only by deep surgery."

Perelman's marriage was a stormy one, and Herrmann says that each partner was unfaithful. Perelman had many affairs, and when he was older he pursued actresses, showgirls and the wives of friends. Laura had one affair, with Dashiell Hammett.

Despite these infidelities, the Perelmans stayed together, siring two children. According to Herrmann, Perelman did not readily acknowledge Laura's contribution to his career. She boosted his morale, collaborated with him on two plays, and was always on the lookout for situations that he might turn into comic pieces.

After her illness, and especially after her death, Perelman lost an important source of creative support and encouragement. Herrmann suggests that her passing coincided with a decline in his artistic powers. "For the rest of his life he would not risk himself artistically but would repeat the same kind of pieces that had served him so brilliantly in his youth, trying to refit them into the mold of the new American culture, with which he found himself more and more out of sync."

Although Perelman was not a practicing Jew, he was keenly Jewish. When Abby, his daughter, announced she would marry an Episcopalian minister considerably older than herself, Perelman "violently objected." She went ahead with the wedding, but her marriage crumbled.

Despite his Jewishness, he had no particular attachment to Israel. Of Israel, he wrote in Travel & Leisure: "What magic, what ingenuity and manpower it has taken to recreate Grossinger's, the Miami Fontainebleau and the Concord Hotel on a barren strand in the Near East!"

Perelman died of a massive heart attack in a New York hotel room. After his death, rumors circulated that he had died in *flagrante delicto*. But the truth was more prosaic: He was alone, dressed in pajamas and a robe.

The man was smaller than the vast body of his work.

Author offers theories on cause

Public interest law lures many Jews

By
ROSE KLEINER

Why has there been such a predominance of Jewish lawyers in the field of public interest law? This is the question posed by Donna E. Arzt in her article in the journal, Judaism. Entitled "The People's Lawyers: The Predominance of Jews In Public Interest Law," the article also points to the growing involvement of some of these lawyers in Jewish causes.

Arzt discusses the existence of this phenomenon in the U.S. only, but in Canada there is a similar development. One example is lawyer Irwin Cotler, of McGill University, who worked for the release of Anatoly Scharansky and other Refuseniks, and who is deeply involved in the Canadian Jewish community.

Jews are over-represented in the field of public interest law in the U.S. Literally thousands of Jewish lawyers are engaged in that field. Of the country's five Jewish Supreme Court justices, four had been distinguished public interest lawyers before being named to the bench.

The author defines public interest law as serving broadly-based interests, disadvantaged minorities, and interests of the public at large, such as consumer or civil rights needs.

In searching for an answer to her query, Arzt proposes six different approaches — the historical, psychological, theological, sociological, political and jurisprudential.

From the historical perspective the acceptance of Jewish lawyers by New York's large firms is a recent phenomenon. The problem of discrimination in the hiring practices of law firms was a subject of concern right into the 1960s.

The history of this discrimination goes back to the time when Felix Frankfurter, a Harvard Law School graduate, was hired for a $1,000 a year position with a large firm, after several rejections elsewhere. It was 1906.

By the 1960s things had not changed much. When Alan Dershowitz, editor-in-chief of the Yale Law Journal, applied for a job in 1962, all the 32 Wall Street law firms he approached said no.

This exclusiveness by the large firms was one incentive for Jewish lawyers to enter the public interest sector. Another factor was the establishment of the New Deal. But the author feels that today these historical causes play a lesser role, and that another motive in our time, for the interest in public law, is simply the Jewish tradition of public service.

Arzt next examines the psychological theory, which speaks of public interest lawyers identifying with the oppressed. But for those who see Jewish survival and activism as more than a response to oppression and anxiety, the psychological theory can be very inadequate.

The author therefore proceeds to another approach, the theological one. This theory bases Jewish social activism on the tradition of tzedakah.

Justice tempered by mercy is the basic biblical attribute of God. As the author states, there are references in Jewish tradition to "virtually every aspect of modern public interest law, from the agrarian . . . sabbatical, and jubilee years . . . to the abhorrence of capital punishment," and "reverence for . . . the environment."

The problem with the theological explanation for the commitment of Jewish lawyers to public interest law is that most of these lawyers are secular Jews. They are largely unfamiliar with Jewish tradition. In fact, Arzt says, the Orthodox Jewish lawyers are more likely to be in large corporate law firms than in the field of public interest law.

Another approach to the author's query is the sociological perspective. Here the "Law of Return" rules. That is, the return of the third generation to the ethical values of their grandparents.

The social activism on the part of secular Jewish lawyers became in a way a substitute religion for a generation lacking the Jewish upbringing of their ancestors.

Arzt also posits the political theory. In her view, the Jewish public interest lawyer, involved in politics, is motivated by the Jewish tradition of tikkun olam (bettering the world).

His involvement in politics is not likely to be for personal gain, or for preserving the established order. It is, most probably, a way of using the law to promote the public good and to bring about justice.

The last, and sixth, approach by the author deals with the jurisprudence theory.

To support this theory in explaining the involvement of Jewish lawyers in public causes, the author quotes Lawrence Fuchs. This scholar sees behind what he calls the Jewish messianic style, "a view that man and his environment are malleable . . . Implicit is a dynamic view of law, that it is changing and made for man."

According to Prof. Daniel Elazar, American Jewry's greatest contribution to American government has been in the courtrooms, rather than in legislatures or bureaucracies.

In this sixth approach to the query Arzt sees only a partial answer. It alone cannot explain the phenomenon she set out to explore. But the author, nevertheless, views this last theory as a synthesis of the other approaches.

To her it is a possible articulation of a jurisprudential tradition with which individual Jewish lawyers can identify with pride and self-recognition.

Opinion

Shif-kantorn sold tickets on credit

A "shif-karte" was what dreams were made of

By
J. B. SALSBERG

From the 80s of the last century until well after the Second World War — the period of Jewish mass migration from Eastern Europe — there was no more magic word, on both sides of the Atlantic, than the hyphenated word: shif-karte, (steamship ticket).

J. B. Salsberg

The receipt of the shif-karte in hundreds of Eastern-European homes was the answer to prayers, the fulfilment of promises and the magic key to the "goldeneh medineh," (the golden land) and hopefully into the welcoming arms of a close relative or, better still, a betrothed or husband.

Why couldn't they just buy a ticket and come? Some did just that, of course. But such independent immigrants were in the minority. Firstly, because of the fear of hurtling oneself alone from family ties into an unknown world. And, second, simply because of the lack of money to execute such a venturesome enterprise. The shif-karte was more than just a traveling arrangement.

If, for instance, a young man, in a romantic mood, would swear by the stars above that the first thing he would do after getting his first job in "America" was to send a shif-karte to his beloved, so that they would marry immediately after her arrival and live happily ever after, then the shif-karte became the fulfilment of a promise and a dream. But, alas, such romantic pledges were not always fulfilled.

Some "Amerikankeh" (a heartless "Americanized" flirtatious girl) would steal the fickle heart of yesterday's shtetl lover and the promised shif-karte failed to arrive. In such an unhappy event the betrayed maiden would sing tearful songs and the Yiddish melodramatic theatre would dissolve its audiences in tears when depicting such tragedies.

Worse still was the dishonorable behavior of some married men who, after reaching America, would desert their shtetl wives and children for some "oisgegreente" (Americanized) flame. The promised shif-karten for the wife and children were never sent and such heartless men did not even leave, as they say nowadays, a forwarding address. . . .

The Jewish stage and the Yiddish press of that time depicted many such tragedies.

But, my kindhearted and upright readers, don't feel downcast or ashamed. **Almost always the romantic lover did send the promised shif-karte to his fiancee** and pictures of their happy weddings in the New World were sent to the folk back home in the Old Country.

The same happy results were also achieved with the aid of the magical shif-karte by the married couples who were reunited in the Golden Land, where they struggled, sank roots and achieved varying degrees of "naches" (gratification) from their offspring. But without the shif-karten the entire process would have been long delayed. The very beneficial role of the shif-kantor (the steamship ticket agency) in making the whole process work cannot be overestimated.

Offices sprang up in major cities to meet needs

Thus there sprang up in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg (even Hamilton had one) Jewish-operated steamship ticket offices to satisfy the new needs.

In Toronto, for instance, there were shifs-kantorn like: Gurofsky, Rotenberg, Garfinkel, Anshel Wise (this one became a centre for Polish Jewish immigrants), H. Dworkin (for more radical people), Keyfets (attracted Zionists), Sivitz (for plainer folk). Aufgang came at the end of the Second WW.

But my father, of blessed memory, dealt with none of the listed shif-kantorn. He dealt only with Sandle Pyman, one of the smallest in the field, but a very respected member of my family's ultra-Orthodox "shtibel" (small, selective congregation).

The key role of those shif-kantorn was that they sold shif-karten on credit; a tiny down payment and agreed-upon weekly payments. (The shipping lines, I believe, gave those kantorn a line of credit to make the whole process possible.)

Thus it was that a newcomer would finish paying for his shif-karte and immediately make a down payment for a shif-karte for a brother or sister in the Old Country who was eagerly waiting for the magic ticket to the New World. Within most early immigrant families this voluntarily assumed indebtedness to the favorite shif-kantor continued for many years . . . but everyone was happy with it.

Well, my beloved readers, as Ecclesiastes (Kohelet) said: There is a time for all things; there is a time to start and a time to finish. And so, mindful of the editor's cruel scissors, we shall stop. But remember, please, the significant role of the shif-karte and the shif-kantor in our not-so-distant past.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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HITS HEDONISTIC "ELEGANT LIFE"

Living elegantly and prosperously is very nice, something to which most people aspire.

Unfortunately, few can reach the heights necessary to find useful the Dec. 4 Elegant Life supplement to The CJN, where you flaunted the joys of great affluence.

We just celebrated completion of the 1987 UJA campaign, in which about 14% of donors contributed about 85% of the money raised and many failed to contribute anything. And we heard that 20% of the community suffer privation, living below the poverty level.

The fortunate 14% don't need the communal paper to entice them to spend on extreme luxury; they are well served in other publications.

The lovely, big, glossy supplement does not appeal to the less affluent 85% and no doubt many of the richer 14%.

A communal paper should be more Jewish and less hedonistic.

Charles Anthony
Toronto

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WHY "ASSIMILATED" DUTCH JEWS?

I would like to comment on the Oct. 3 letter by R. Tynder, director of Polish Alliance Press, headed "Poles aided 10,000 Jews."

Tynder remarks that the people of Holland, (a nation of 9 million), managed to shelter only 10,000 of their 140,000 *assimilated* Jews.

His statement about 140,000 *assimilated* Jews in Holland leaves me baffled. Would he state where he got this information?

I take strong exception to the word "assimilated." Maybe he could clarify his interpretation of that word!

I was born and raised in Amsterdam, Holland. The only Jews I knew where either Orthodox or non-Orthodox Jews.

Someone has to set the record straight!

Mike Englishman
Toronto

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DEBATES PALESTINIAN "SOLUTION"

Re Jon Bayer's Dec. 18 letter headed "Questions Eye For Eye," in which he seeks a peaceful solution to Palestinian terrorism:

His letter demonstrates how easy it is for one to fall into the trap set by those who wish to see Israel eradicated from the map — namely claiming that world terrorism is caused by the unsolved "Palestinian problem."

We should all be reminded that:

1) The Palestinians are still a majority population in the largest part of historic Palestine (now called Jordan).

2) The area of Judea and Samaria was under Arab control until 1967, but this did not result in an independent Palestinian state, nor did it prevent wars or terrorism.

3) It appears that the only solution of the "Palestinian problem" acceptable to the overwhelming majority of the Arab world is the cessation of Israel's existence as an independent Jewish state.

I do not believe Bayer is willing to negotiate that.

Dr. William Bilek
Montreal

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IT'S THORNHILL, NOT LONDON

I'd like to make one correction in the article about me headed "Kadima: Canadian Council of Reform Zionists," which appeared in the Dec. 4 Viewpoints supplement in The CJN.

It identifies me as a resident of London, Ont. I am the rabbi of Temple Har Zion in Thornhill, Ont.

Rabbi Michael S. Stroh
Thornhill, Ont.

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TRUMPETER JAMES NOT JEWISH

Re your Dec. 11 review of Jonathan David's book, *Great Jews In Music*, which claims that Harry James was Jewish:

I'd like to mention to you that I've recently concluded a study about the same Mr. James, and that the famous trumpet player *was not* Jewish.

Michael Samuelson
Montreal

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WITNESSED PATRIA CAPSIZING

I always enjoy reading David Birkan's Diary of a People column.

But in his Nov. 27 column, he wrote about the Jewish refugee ship Patria capsizing in Haifa Bay on Nov. 25, 1940.

Wasn't the Patria the ship that capsized "sideways" due to a Haganah explosion inside the port city of Haifa while berthed on the breakwater sometime after World War II and not in 1940?

I am writing this because I was across from the Patria on the main quay and witnessed this calamity while a teenager assisting my late father, who was a customs broker.

Henry Cowen
Toronto

David Birkan replies: The year of the Patria's capsizing was indeed 1940, according to published accounts that include the Encyclopedia Judaica and an eyewitness report. Unfortunately, British policy resulted in similar tragedies throughout the 40s.

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HER PARENTS ABOARD PATRIA

I want to thank David Birkan for his column on the capsizing of the Patria in Haifa Bay. Our parents were some of those fortunate-unfortunate people who in time were transported to the Island of Mauritius. Both of them died after being with us in Canada.

All through the years, I hoped that some writer would report about the happenings surrounding the event.

There are many things they told us of the trip, the short time they were in Palestine, and their life on the island.

Thank you, sincerely.

Illona Heller
Toronto

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Reader lauds External Affairs Minister Joe Clark's vigorous support of human rights for Soviet Jews.

LAUDS CLARK'S SOVIET STAND

Canada's External Affairs Minister Joe Clark has recently spoken out vigorously in defence of human rights for Soviet Jews.

In clear statements, made in Vienna at the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, and in Toronto, upon receiving the Human Rights Award from the Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, Clark linked the issue of human rights to the easing of East-West tensions.

He maintained that current Soviet leadership is engaged in a sophisticated exercise of public relations to give an illusion of progress, where, in fact, none exists.

Although a few prominent Refuseniks have received exit visas, most notably Anatoly Scharanksy, and Andrei Sakharov is allowed to return from exile to Moscow, the reality of the situation is one of harassment, arrest and reduction of emigration.

"Words are not enough, symbols are not enough. Moscow must move from image to action," declared Clark.

The Soviet Union, by its constitution, guarantees its citizens the right to freedom of religion and the right to work. These are denied to Jewish Refuseniks. "If the Soviet Union is unwilling to adhere to the provisions of its own constitution, how are we to have any confidence that it will uphold its external obligations, including arms control and disarmament agreements?"

Clark has spoken out bravely and clearly. He has repeatedly appealed to Soviet authorities on behalf of Refuseniks and Prisoners of Conscience, particularly for Ida Nudel. We commend Mr. Clark.

Marsha Slavens
Co-chairman
Committee for Soviet Jewry
Canadian Jewish Congress
Ontario Region
Toronto

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QUESTIONS RABBI'S LANGUAGE

Re Rabbi Abraham Goldreich's Dec. 18 letter headed "A pious and righteous rabbi":

The letter comments on the report that more than 200 family members and friends would attend a tribute at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation to the late Rabbi Tzvi Yehuda Kelman.

Then he writes in one paragraph: "It is a shame that if he were alive today, this Torah-observant man would not walk into the temples of two of his sons."

In one terse paragraph of 25 words, the rabbi attempts to smear the Jewishness of approximately 1,500 families that worship at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue. And using the word "temple" in a pejorative sense, he extends this smear to all other Conservative synagogues and Reform temples.

As if this were not enough, this minister of misinformation personalizes his malice on the Kelman family.

Toronto is fortunate in having many fine rabbis. Very special among this group is Rabbi Joseph Kelman, whose contribution as a spiritual leader is attested to by many thousands of people and would indeed be a source of deep pride to his late father.

Rather than speculating on Rabbi Kelman's late father's judgments, Goldreich would do better to ask of himself what his own father's feeling would be seeing his son's foray into *Leshon Hara.*

Hyman Agasee
Toronto

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A GARLAND TO GASNER

As president of the Toronto Chapter of Dysautonomia Foundation, Inc., I am writing to commend the excellent Nov. 13 article written about our organization by Cynthia Gasner.

Judging by the number of favorable comments received by me and other members of our group, the piece that she wrote evoked a great deal of interest in our work. This positive publicity serves to stimulate our volunteers to even greater involvement and educates the community about the existence of this rare disease.

Please accept our sincere gratitude for disseminating information about the Dysautonomia Foundation in the past, and we look forward to your continued support.

Bertha Dermer
Toronto

World-National

Murphy meets with Shamir

U.S. envoy visits Israel to revive peace moves

By UPI and JTA

JERUSALEM — U.S. envoy Richard Murphy, on the first visit to the Middle East by a senior American official since the Iran arms-Contra scandal surfaced two months ago, met last week with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir to discuss reviving regional peace efforts.

Murphy arrived in Jerusalem from Amman, Jordan, and met with Shamir for 90 minutes. During the talks, Shamir reiterated Israel's demand for direct peace negotiations with its Arab neighbors, Israeli spokesman Yossi Achimeir said. said.

"The Prime Minister welcomed (President Reagan's) decision to try to reinvigorate the peace process," Murphy said. "We both agreed that this was the time to see what quiet diplomacy could get done."

Officially, Murphy was in Israel to discuss prospects of reviving peace efforts. But privately Israeli officials and analysts said they believe he was carrying no new proposals.

They speculated that Murphy might have come to Jerusalem to brief Israeli officials on fallout from Reagan's arms-for-hostages deals with Iran, which surfaced two months ago. Israel served as a middleman in the deals.

The Israeli press greeted Murphy with an unusually acrimonious reception, underscoring its pervasive view that little can be accomplished by his visit.

An article in the Davar newspaper called Murphy's visit "the most concrete evidence of the freeze in the peace process. The cart of the peace process is stuck deep in the mud."

Before Murphy arrived, a senior Israeli official was quoted in The Jerusalem Post as calling the Arab-Israeli peace process "nonexistent" and "dead" and saying Murphy's visit would not change the situation.

Shamir, following his meeting with Murphy, urged direct talks with Hussein. Speaking before the American Democratic Institute at the Moriah Hotel at the Dead Sea, the Premier said: "I am standing at this side of the Dead Sea, asking King Hussein at the other side of the sea to meet with me face-to-face and discuss peace."

Shamir suggested initial informal agreements on matters of mutual concern, such as the Dead Sea. "Both countries extract chemicals from this unique natural phenomenon," he said. "I am sure we could both benefit from cooperation in our efforts. We have common ecological problems. We both utilize the waters of the Jordan River."

Moreover, both countries' tourism industries could gain from cooperation along the shores of Eilat and the Gulf of Aqaba, the Premier said.

Murphy, coming out of his 2-hour meeting with Rabin and other Israeli officials, said that the parties discussed the Mideast situation and mutual defence matters. About the latter, he commented, "A number of projects are under way which are doing well."

WJC: Austria hid facts on Waldheim

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Austrian government possessed updated personnel records revealing Kurt Waldheim's hidden Nazi past — including his membership in Hitler's Brownshirts — but did not make them available when they endorsed him for United Nations Secretary-General in 1971, The World Jewish Congress charged last week.

The records not only confirm the Austrian president's service as a Nazi stormtrooper but show his continued service in the German military, long after his claim of having been discharged, the WJC said.

"It now appears that the Austrian government engaged in a cruel deception by withholding the relevant documents which would have spared the world of Kurt Waldheim," said Kalman Sultani, a member of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council and a vice-president of the WJC.

Extracts of the documents were contained in a pamphlet of the "New Austria" group in Vienna, an organization of Austrian intellectuals and artists opposed to Waldheim because of his Nazi past. The complete file was located by investigators in the personnel record of the Austrian foreign ministry and comprise the personal career record of Waldheim. They give a running account of his service in the foreign ministry from Nov. 26, 1945 to June 30, 1983.

Waldheim has denied membership in pre-war Nazi organizations. In his formal defence memorandum submitted to the U.S. justice department, specifically stating he had been a member "of the Brownshirts (SA)."

But the entry on Item 20 of Waldheim's personnel file shows he was a member of the SA, having joined on Nov. 18, 1938, the WJC reported.

JDC budget focuses on education

NEW YORK (JTA) — The board of directors of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee approved a $57 million budget for 1987 at its recent annual meeting.

The budget represents a 6% increase over the 1986 budget of $54 million. It will fund JDC programs in Israel and more than 30 other countries. JDC president Heinz Eppler called it a responsible budget and said: "It addresses the needs of the Jewish communities around the world."

The annual meeting was the culmination of a week of meetings and programs that illustrate the national and international scope of JDC activities. Committees organized by areas of the world reviewed operations and deliberated questions of programs and budget.

Jewish education is a major focus of JDC work in Western Europe and Latin America. Executive vice-president Ralph Goldman described a major study of educational programs in France, a joint project of JDC and the Jewish Agency Jewish education subcommittee: "The study will produce an inventory of what exists and a plan for what is needed," Goldman said.

He stressed that the local community is involved with the study. "We are not seeking a JDC program or a Jewish Agency program. Rather, we want to help develop an indigenous French Jewish community program for Jewish education."

Eppler reported on a plan to form a training school, or "seminario," in Argentina for Jewish communal workers. He said that this will strengthen JDC's effort to increase the professionalism of social services in Latin America's Jewish communities.

The board approved a new direction of service, in which the JDC will reach out to a general community in need, if that will also help a Jewish community.

The focus of the plenary luncheon meeting was JDC's work in Israel. The keynote speaker was Avraham Harman, president of Hebrew University from 1968 to 1983, and ambassador to the United States from 1959 to 1968.

In a summary of current social and political circumstances in Israel, he noted that the JDC, UJA, and similar agencies account for about 10% of what is spent on social services and community development.

"That's the context in which I think the JDC and the UJA should view their role in Israel," he said. "You are indispensable to what we want Israel to be, to how we want the people of Israel — and the new immigrants who join us — how we want them to live."

NY names street after Ben-Gurion

NEW YORK (JTA) — An official ceremony will be held in February to rename East 43rd St. between Vanderbilt and Madison Avenues in midtown Manhattan "David Ben-Gurion Place" as part of the year-long celebration of the 100th anniversary of Ben-Gurion. The street was the site in 1942 of the historic Biltmore conference at the Old Biltmore Hotel where Ben-Gurion and other Zionist leaders formally established the goal of a Jewish state.

Mayor Edward Koch signed a bill into law last month renaming the street. The bill was introduced by New York City Council members Stanley Michels and Carol Greitzer. Present at the bill signing ceremonies with Koch were Moshe Yegar, Israel's consul-general in New York; Jack Spitzer, chairman of the David Ben-Gurion Centennial Committee in the U.S.; and Dr. Benjamin Hirsch, the committee's executive director.

Vanunu losing pound a day

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Mordechai Vanunu, charged with selling Israeli nuclear secrets to a British newspaper, is losing a pound a day on hunger strike in his prison cell, his brother said last week. Prison authorities had no reaction.

Asher Vanunu said his brother weighs less than 125 pounds. He added that Mordechai Vanunu was allowed no contact with the outside world in the name of his "own safety."

The prisoner apparently is protesting his loss of privileges last month following his flashing of a message, inscribed on his palm, that Israeli authorities kidnapped him from Rome. Israel has denied wrongdoing in the case.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years.

In a series of articles Mr. Catzman reports on his research. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto M4P 1P1.

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TUREK — WITKOW

Those like my friend Alex Turk, who take delight in the Turkish flavor of their name, may be disappointed to learn that Turek is a large city in Poland in the province of Konskie.

There are a couple of villages in Austria called Turkenfeld and Turkheim, but since most of our Canadians are plain Turek or Turk, the Polish source gets our vote.

I have located no Jewish surnames that emanate from Turkey, although there may very well be some.

One of the collateral benefits of attending religious services is that you meet some charming people. A young lady who introduced herself as Mrs. Witkow from Boston stimulated me to research the origin of her surname. I realized that her ancestors did not come over on the Mayflower so that it would have been futile to hunt for a New England origin.

Sure enough, the village of Witkowo leaped up from the map of Poland to confirm my tentative diagnosis that she (or at least her husband) was not of Puritan stock. It is in the Province of Konskie where Turek is located.

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Liberal justice critic wants Ottawa to act

Kaplan to seek govt. timetable on Deschenes

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political lobbying campaign.

Andrew Witer, Conservative MP for Parkdale-High Park in Metro Toronto, has already felt the impact of a lobbying campaign. He has received more than 2,000 letters, cards and telegrams on the Deschenes inquiry.

Most, he said, "expressed serious concern" about Commission plans (eventually shelved) to travel to the Soviet Union to obtain evidence.

Witer, whose constituents include a sizeable number of people of Polish and Ukrainian descent, told The CJN "war criminals should definitely be prosecuted in Canada." He cited a "general agreement" among constituents in favor of prosecution, but also pointed to the likelihood of "significant injustices" to those accused of war crimes who are eventually cleared.

He said vigilante justice in the U.S. against those cleared of war crimes resulted in deaths to those accused and injuries to bystanders.

The crux of the matter is to come up with a method of proceeding soon after the report is tabled, within six months, he suggested.

Liberal justice critic Robert Kaplan said that soon after the House reconvenes on Jan. 19 he will ask the government when it plans to table the Deschenes report.

"Our position is that we hope the Deschenes Commission will recommend some type of action and that the government will implement it," he said.

Responding to a published report that members of the interdepartmental committee studying the report include those who in 1981 concluded nothing could be done to bring Nazi war criminals to justice, Kaplan said he hoped the committee would include people open to Deschenes' recommendations.

Another group waiting anxiously to study the Commission report is the Canadian Bar Association. The CBA has a 3-man committee in place, "poised to react the moment the report comes down," said Steven Hanson, director of communications.

The year-old committee consists of lawyers from the CBA's international law, criminal justice and immigration sections, said Bill Monopoli, CBA's director of legislation and law reform.

The Deschenes report is considered "a fairly urgent matter," said Monopoli, with "a lot of interest" generated informally among CBA lawyers. The CBA is primarily concerned with the proposed legal remedies to deal with war criminals and the rights of individuals who may eventually charged, he added.

Meanwhile in Australia where the government received a report on Nazi war criminals early in December, newspaper reports indicate the government released the Menzies report because, in the words of a minister, "it is too hot to sit on."

According to the Sydney Morning Herald, "the view that quickly emerged around the cabinet table was that the report was as politically explosive as it was legally daunting and unless sensitively handled could set ethnic communities at each others' throats."

Andrew Menzies, a former public servant, presented the government with a list of more than 60 suspects who warranted further investigation and he recommended prosecution in Australia of the suspects (CJN Dec. 18)..

He also recommended creation of a small unit to investigate and prosecute suspects as well as entering limited extradition treaties with East Bloc countries.

Cabinet members have "grave reservations" about the latter proposal, the Herald reports.

Jews, Catholics reducing mistrust

NEW YORK —

Jews and Roman Catholics in Brazil have taken a new step toward eliminating mutual mistrust with the publication of a detailed manual to promote interfaith discussion, The New York Times reports.

The 187-page booklet, distributed last month to Brazil's 229 Catholic archdioceses and dioceses by the National Bishops' Conference, covers a broad range of subjects. These include the history of the Jewish people, the roots of anti-semitism and the Nazi horror, Judaism in Brazil and ways of handling differences between the two religions.

Its publication is considered significant not only because Brazil is the world's most populous Catholic country but also because, although only about 170,000 Jews live in that country, its bishops appear to have moved faster than the Vatican in trying to establish a closer relationship with Judaism, the Times report said.

Five priests and two nuns, under the auspices of the National Commission for Catholic-Jewish Dialogue, joined two rabbis and a Jewish theologian in preparing the document.

Rabbi Henry Sobel, the commission's coordinator, recalling that the Vatican does not recognize the State of Israel, gave special emphasis to the booklet's recognition of "the right of the Jews to a peaceful political existence in their land of origin without this bringing injustice or violence to other peoples."

"I have not read this before in any official church document," Sobel told The Times.

Different chapters were written by different members of the study group, but Bishop Sinesio Bohn, responsible for Ecumenism and Religious Dialogue in the Bishops' Conference, said they were all subject to the analysis and criticism of the entire commission.

Written in simple language and avoiding complex theological terms, the booklet is intended to stimulate debate about Judaism in Catholic congregations.

The introduction says its objective is "helping Catholics in Brazil to understand better the historical, religious and national aspirations of the Jewish people."

Judaism as the cradle of Christianity is "generally unknown," it says. There are many prejudices in relation to this. In the eye of many Christians, the Jew is the target of proselytism.

"Worse still, even after the lamentable and horrible Holocaust suffered by the Jewish people this century, anti-Semitic movements and attitudes continue throughout the world."

Although there is reportedly still resistance to the interfaith discussion among some conservative Catholic and Orthodox Jewish groups, spokesmen for the two faiths said the work of the commission, which began in February, 1981, had already helped eliminate many misunderstandings.

To mark the 20th anniversary of "Nostra Aetate" ("In Our Time"), a document of the Second Vatican Council that redefined traditional Catholic views on Judaism, the commission sponsored the First Pan-American Conference of Catholic-Jewish Relations.

It was held in Sao Paulo in November, 1985 and was attended by influential Catholic and Jewish representatives and theologians from across the Americas.

Belgrade rejects Artukovic pardon

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

The government of Yugoslavia has announced in Belgrade that it has rejected an appeal for a pardon by Andrija Artukovic for the crimes he committed in Yugoslavia during World War II when he was the interior minister of the puppet government set up in Croatia by the German army.

Artukovic, now 87, had been sentenced to death for his role in the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of Yugoslavs including more than half of Yugoslavia's 80,000 Jews.

He lost his fight against extradition from the U.S. last February when the Supreme Court rejected his appeals that culminated his legal efforts of more than 30 years to resist trial in his native land. He came to the U.S. after the war and lived most of the time in the Los Angeles area.

The district court of Zagreb, the capital of Croatia which is now one of Yugoslav's republics, sentenced Artukovic to death last May. He has been confined in a special hospital room in the city jail in Zagreb.

No date has been set for his execution.

S. Korean boycotters

NEW YORK (JTA) —

A number of major South Korean companies refuse to sell their products to Israel, apparently because of pressure from the Arab states, according to Boycott Report, published by the American Jewish Congress.

The report named the following Korean companies: Kumbo and Hancock, which manufactures tires; Kia Handa, Suzuki-Korea, Hyongsung and Yamaha, which manufacture motorcycles; and Hyundai and Daewood, manufacturers of automobiles.

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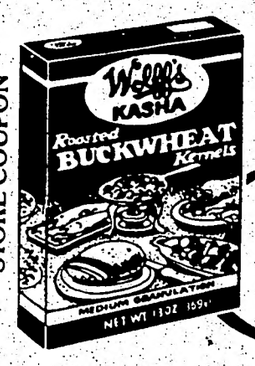

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World-National

Trade ties with Israel "deliberately discouraged"

Japan, Britain most acquiescent to Arab boycott

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been adopted by France, the Netherlands, West Germany and Norway.

Among the major industrialized nations, Britain and Japan are presented in Boycott and Blacklist as having the most acquiescent policies toward the Arab boycott. Sarna says Japan has "the most consistent record of compliance with the discriminatory and restrictive trade practices of the Arab boycott of Israel.

"Trade relationships with Israel have been deliberately discouraged, and no Japanese investment or development assistance have been undertaken in Israel...There has been no evidence that Japan has exercised any self-restraint on moral grounds in accommodating itself to the dictates of the boycott system."

Sarna cites the example of the Toyota Motor Company, Japan's largest auto manufacturer, which in 1981 abandoned plans for a joint venture with the Ford Motor Company after a warning from Saudi Arabia. Ford was blacklisted by the Arab League's Damascus based Central Boycott Office in 1966 for selling parts to Israel. Toyota apparently was not ready to jeopardize its sale of cars (which totaled 256,000 in 1980) to the Arab Middle East.

By 1976, the Central Boycott Office had 6,300 entries of firms and organizations (250 Canadian) and 600 ships from 96 countries on its blacklist of those who have dealt directly or indirectly with Israel.

Sarna argues that the Arab boycott of Israel is unlike other modern boycotts which are aimed at weakening a state's military capability or protesting objectionable domestic or foreign policies. The Arab sanctions are unique, Sarna believes, because their goal is to destroy a country and because of the campaign's global dimensions and assault on third parties.

"The unique dynamics of the Arab boycott of Israel — calling for the obliteration of an independent nation and punishment of unrelated third parties — have cast a pall over the conduct of international economic relations in the postwar period and held an oil-dependent world hostage to the threat of economic recession."

Sarna calls for an multilateral approach in resisting the boycott of Israel, possibly an international code of conduct under GATT (the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) or OECD (the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development), related to discriminatory foreign boycotts.

While the U.S. anti-boycott legislation and its enforcement are seen as exemplary by Sarna, American exporters may be disadvantaged in Arab markets compared to their counterparts from Japan, Canada and the European Economic Community which are less fettered by boycott considerations. A new international instrument of law is also needed to combat the secondary and tertiary features of the boycott, beyond the reach of any unilateral actions, Sarna writes.

Sarna is convinced that the Arab boycott is a violation of international law, starting with the United Nations Charter.

The costs to Israel's economy after 35 years of a formal boycott by the Arab League are hard to calculate, Sarna indicates. Israel has found means of overcoming the boycott's debilitating effects, often by the development of "dummy" trade — the phenomenon of foreign companies covertly setting up intermediaries because they will not deal directly with Israel.

"Despite the formidable power of the Arab boycott (with due allowance for exaggerated claims), Israel's economy amazingly has not collapsed, nor has it failed to grow. In fact, its economy has grown remarkably. In this sense, the boycott has been a failure."

Yet, Sarna has litte doubt that Israel has suffered "severe economic setbacks," not only in reduced export markets, but in lost foreign investment and limited access to foreign technology.

Any international approach will require the will of governments, which has been, with few exceptions, lacking up till now. Some surprising shows of defiance to Arab demands have lately come from such unlikely quarters as Romania and Kenya, Sarna notes.

Closer to home, Sarna raises hopes that the current Conservative government in Canada, with Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's desire for closer ties with Washington, may be more receptive to bolstering the existing anti-boycott guidelines.

Boycott and Blacklist (280 pages, including extensive annotation) is published by Rowman & Littlefield of Totowa, NJ, who describe the book as the most extensive account and in-depth analysis of the topic.

The jacket bears a quote from Howard Stanislawski, a director of the Canada-Israel Committee at the time of the boycott debate and now at Wellesley College in Massachusetts, that the book is "the most substantial work on this subject available...A major case study and a very welcome addition to the literature in this area."

A review in Boycott Report, published by the American Jewish Congress, praises Boycott and Blacklist as "more comprehensive" than the two other classics in the field: The Economic War Against the Jews and Congress, The Executive Branch and Special Interests — The American Response to the Arab Boycott of Israel.

Vatican restates its "prerequisites"

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East. The Vatican perceives this to be inextricably tied to "the necessity of simultaneously guaranteeing the security of all peoples in the region."

The Pope told the international diplomatic corps accredited to the Vatican on Jan. 14, 1984 that these principles imply a comprehensive peace treaty for the area. They are the only conditions under which the Vatican would establish diplomatic relations with Israel, formalizing what already exists on an "unofficial" level.

The Vatican maintains an apostolic delegate in Jerusalem to represent its interests and there is an almost daily flow of contacts on the cultural, religious and even political levels which the Vatican authorities freely admit and encourage.

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Last July, during a visit to Lebanon, Cardinal O'Connor said the Vatican would establish diplomatic relations with Israel only after three preconditions were satisfied: Israel should "assist substantially" in finding "a Palestinian homeland"; it should help achieve peace in Lebanon; and should also aid the security of some 8 million Christians living in the Arab world."

On that occasion, the cardinal made no mention of Syria, the Shiite and Sunni Moslems, Iran or Libya, all of which have contributed to the destabilization of Lebanon and the massacre of Lebanese Christians.

Before leaving Israel last week O'Connor seemed to indicate that he thought Vatican-Israel relations could develop in the future.

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Organizations and People

Canadian writer at U.S. Sephardi Federation convention

Kattan: Jews, Arabs must rediscover their roots

By
MARILYN SILVERSTEIN
The Jewish Exponent

PHILADELPHIA —
Israeli Jews and their Arab neighbors must rediscover their roots if they are to coexist in peace in the Middle East, Canadian writer Naim Kattan told a seminar at the recent convention of the American Sephardi Federation convention here.

Naim Kattan

Kattan, a native of Iraq who has lived and worked as a Jew and a writer in both the Islamic and Western worlds, pointed to a difference of "tremendous importance" between Sephardi and Ashkenazi Judaism in supporting his view.

"In the Islamic world, the Jewish faith was recognized as a valid faith," Kattan, head of publications at the Canada Council in Ottawa, told the seminar on Jews in Arab Lands, Past and Present.

"A Jew in the Islamic world did not have the experience or the necessity to defend his faith," he said. "A Jew living in the Christian world had always to defend himself for not recognizing the messiah."

As a result, Kattan said, Jews in the Islamic world were more self-confident and autonomous in their faith and way of life.

"There was a celebration of Judaism, rather than a defence of Judaism," he said. "It was a mode of life taken for granted."

Jews were accepted in the Arab world as long as they accepted their position as a protected minority under the majority Islamic rule, Kattan said.

That situation changed because of two phenomena, he said: the rise of Zionism, expressing the desire of Jews to live as a majority in their own land, and the rise of a new nationalism in Arab countries, with its attendant denial of equality to any minority.

The challenge for the Jews of Israel, Kattan said, is to live as a majority in their own land and as a minority within the larger Arab world. The challenge for the Arab world is to rediscover a tolerance for diversity, he said.

In order for Arabs and Jews to survive side by side as two autonomous peoples, Arab civilization will have to go back to its Islamic roots, and Jews will have to go back to the substance of Judaism, he said, "to rediscover and revive the content of what we are."

The 300 delegates at the convention decided to create a Sephardi rabbinic advisory board headed by Rabbi Marc Angel of Shearith Israel Synagogue in New York. The board will promote the exchange of information among Sephardi congregations throughout the United States.

The delegates resolved to create a fund to support five educational programs for Sephardi Jews in the United States.

The resolutions called for establishing a scholarship fund to bring the Israel experience to American Sephardi youth; developing a program of local summer camps and weekend retreats; publishing a national periodical showcasing the writings of American Sephardi leaders and scholars;

Creating a department of education at the federation's offices in New York, including a Sephardi resource centre with books, films and other audio-visual materials; and developing local adult education programs on the cultural and religious heritage of Sephardi Jews.

Rabbi Joshua Toledano, executive vice-president of the federation, reported that during the convention, prominent Sephardim had contributed "substantial funds" to begin implementing these programs.

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By MIRIAM CHINSKY

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Edward Fogel is cantor of Sha'are Emeth Congregation in St. Louis. Benjamin Maissner is cantor of Holy Blossom Temple.

ADATH SHOLOM SISTERHOOD

Adath Sholom Synagogue Sisterhood celebrates an Oneg Shabbat commemorating Women's League for Conservative Judaism Anniversary Shabbat on Friday, Jan. 16. The service, conducted by **Cantor Martin Rosenblum,** commences at 7.30 p.m. sharp, 864 Sheppard Ave. W.

Speaker for the evening is **Selma Sage**, whose topic is, 100 Years — Women Worth Knowing.

The community is welcome.

Sunday, Jan. 18

PNAI

PNAI — Toronto chapter of Parents of North American Israelis, is holding its election meeting on Sunday, Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. in Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Max Shecter, deputy president of The Canadian Zionist Federation and president of the Central Region, will install the new executive. A social evening follows.

Guests and prospective members are welcome.

BETH SHOLOM BROTHERHOOD

Beth Sholom Brotherhood will be guests of Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood for a combined service, breakfast and speaker, starting at 9 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 18. All brotherhood members are invited.

BETH TORAH BROTHERHOOD

At Beth Torah Brotherhood's breakfast meeting on Sunday, Jan. 18 at 9.30 a.m. in the synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave., (Dufferin and Lawrence area), social worker and marriage counselor **Joe Rich**, will explain How To Improve Family and Marriage Relations.

Everyone is invited.

Monday, Jan. 19

JEWISH DIABETES GROUP

Convenience food, fast food, kosher products — how does a person with diabetes cope with these? **Susan Gatchell**, nutrition program assistant with the Canadian Diabetes Association will offer advice at a meeting in Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. (just east of Bathurst), 8 p.m., Monday, Jan. 19. Also, three suppliers of blood glucose monitoring equipment will give demonstrations.

To enquire further phone **Jeff Rosen,** 665-2747.

ANDERSON TO ADDRESS ORT

The Business and Professional Women's Group of Toronto Women's ORT invites you to an evening with Toronto Star columnist **Doris Anderson**, past president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women, to be held at The Brownstone Hotel, 15 Charles St. E. (two blocks south of Bloor), on Monday, Jan. 19 at 5.45 p.m.

Refreshments will be served.

RSVP to **Marcy**, 787-0339.

MOTHERS AGAINST GOING CRAZY

Monday Magic, or Mothers Against Going Incredibly Crazy, meets 9.30-11.30 a.m. Mondays, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

Hear stimulating speakers and meet other mothers of young children. Excellent babysitting is provided.

On Jan. 19, **Valerie Sloman** will tell you about The Alyn Hospital for Physically Handicapped Children in Jerusalem.

BATHURST LAWN BOND PURCHASE

Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park recently purchased its annual Variable Rate Interest (VRI) State of Israel Bond. From left, Abraham Zukerman, Harry Federman, Marvin Lister, Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park president Dave Geist, Ernie Marmurek, State of Israel Bonds Toronto director Lawrence Waller and Sam Tenenbaum. [Marie-Josee Crete photo]

Tuesday, Jan. 20

ALUMA CANADIAN ISRAELI CLUB

How much do you know about Canada? This will be the subject for a question and answer period when Aluma, Canadian-Israeli Club, meets 7.30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 20 in the Fireside Lounge of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave.

Refreshments will be served.

Call **Ephraim**, 631-7546, for further information.

JEWISH VEGETARIAN SOCIETY

Health counselor **Sergei de Jonge** will give his views on The Quality of our Food in Canada, when the Jewish Vegetarian Society gathers on Tuesday, Jan. 20 in the boardroom of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave., 8 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 20.

Admission is $1 for members, $2, non-members.

For more information call 783-1901.

SOVIET JEWRY REPORT

Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 8 p.m., Holy Blossom Temple Soviet Jewry Committee invites you to hear a report by **Genya Intrator**, official Canadian representative to The Helsinki Mirror Conference which paralleled the 1986 Helsinki Accord Conference on Human Rights, and was held in Vienna in November.

And **Ted Friedgut**, senior lecturer in the Department of Russian and Slavic Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, recently returned from the Soviet Union, will relate his experiences there.

Wednesday, Jan. 21

BETH EMETH ADULT EDUCATION

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda's Adult Education Video and Lecture Series, Pillar of Fire (the rebirth of Israel) continues every Wednesday, 8-9.30 p.m. in the Arback Hall at the synagogue, 100 Elder St.

On Jan. 21, **Rabbi Barry Schneider** will speak on The Arab Awakening.

The public is invited. For additional information call 633-3838.

JEWISH GENEALOGY SOCIETY

The Jewish Genealogy Society of Toronto is having its first meeting of the year at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 7.45 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 21.

For more details call **Rayzel Robinson**, 736-5178.

Thursday, Jan. 22

MEDITERRANEAN STUDIES

Society for Mediterranean Studies, University of Toronto, invites the public to an illustrated lecture by York University **Prof. Johanna Stuckey,** on The Goddess Religion in Ancient Syro-Palestine, at Alumni Hall, Victoria College, 73 Queen's Park Cres. on Thursday, Jan. 22 at 8 p.m.

Admission is free.

And What Else Is New . . .

TEMPLE SINAI MUSICAL LEGACY

As part of its ongoing Musical Legacy series, Temple Sinai will feature a performance of Jewish works by the National Chamber Orchestra of Canada, under the leadership of conductor/composer/violinist **Sasha Weinstangel**, on Friday, Jan. 23, following the 8.15 p.m. service.

Based in North York, the orchestra looks forward to a European tour as well as participation in the Hong Kong Music Festival of 1987.

OAKVILLE'S SHAAREI-BETH EL

Cardiologist **Elaine Gordon**, a member of Shaarei-Beth El Congregation, will speak on You and Your Heart, at the synagogue, 8 p.m., Monday, Feb. 2.

Coffee and cake will be served. Cover charge is $1.50.

TALENT NIGHT

The Entertainment and Cultural Connection of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation is organizing another talent night. If you are interested in participating, write to **Jerry Genesove**, 625 Roselawn Ave., Apt. 304, Toronto, M5N 1K7.

SHATNES BACK ON BATHURST

Toronto's Shatnes Institute has resumed checking wool garments at 3455 Bathurst St. The doorway to the upstairs office is between Zucker's Books and Gifts and Milk 'N Honey Restaurant).

Hours are weekdays 5.30-8.30 p.m. Phone 782-1159.

Cost of inspection averages $4 per garment.

ANNUAL DINNER

Rabbi Yaakov Feitman, spiritual leader of Young Israel of Cleveland, will be guest speaker at Beth Jacob High School's 25th annual dinner. Rabbi Feitman writes and lectures extensively on Torah subjects in the United States. The dinner will take place Feb. 1 at Torah Emeth, 1 Viewmount Ave. For reservations phone 787-4949.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS MEETING

The Multiple Sclerosis Group, a self-help group of The Multiple Sclerosis Society, for people with MS and their families, has scheduled its monthly meeting for 8 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 14 at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St.

Guest speaker will be massage therapist **Sylvia Jong**, who will give a presentation and hands-on demonstration.

To inquire further call 630-2985.

CHILDREN'S CONCERT

Toronto Women's ORT is staging a concert for young children with **Sandy Offenheim and Family.** Shows are at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on Sunday Feb. 8 in Northview Heights Secondary School Auditorium (Bathurst and Finch).

Tickets are $4.50 each.

For more information call 787-0297, days, 763-0235, evenings.

YOUNG MARRIED BOWLERS

Attention, newly married couples between the ages of 20 and 40 — a new bowling league is being planned just for you. If you are interested in becoming part of this group call **Jeff** at 826-2946 after 6.30 p.m.

Unless the initial response is good, there will be no league. Call now!

GARDNER AT PETACH TIKVAH

North York **Controler Norm Gardner,** who was recently appointed to the Metropolitan Toronto Police Commission, will examine Jewish Politics in Canada, at the next meeting of Petach Tikvah Brotherhood, Sun. Jan. 25, in the synagogue, 20 Danby Ave. Brunch is at 11 a.m., followed by the talk.

RSVP, 636-4719, no later than Wednesday, Jan. 21.

The public is welcome.

JSU/HILLEL U OF T

Here is a list of Jewish Students' Union/Hillel University of Toronto activities for this week. The JSU House is at 604 Spadina Ave.

Thursday, Jan. 15, is pickup day for the Daily Bread Food Project. Please donate non-perishable foodstuffs to the JSU depot by this date to help Toronto's needy. At 4 p.m., Let's Study Torah, commences at JSU House, and Tehila Choir begins again at 8.30 p.m. in Beth Tikvah (small charge involved).

Monday, Jan. 19, UJA Campus Campaign phone blitz is on at the Lipa Green Building from 6-9 p.m. At 4 p.m. in the Sidney Smith Building Room 1070, there will be a speaker and video, UJA: Where the Dollars Go.

Tuesday, Jan. 20, UJA Campus Campaign phone blitz continues at the Lipa Green Building, 6-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, **Jerry Fisher** will be at the JSU House 4 p.m., to talk about Otzma, a 1-year adventure in Israel, and show a video on the program.

Thursday, Jan. 22, Have dinner with Young Frankenstein! Watch this classic at JSU House, 6 p.m. The comedy comes with free dinner if you reserve by Jan. 19 ($3 if not, $2 with JSU card). Enjoy hot dogs with the fixings, munchies, dessert and drinks. Don't forget to reserve by Jan. 19.

JEWISH FAMILY & CHILD SERVICE

How do you pick up the pieces after separation or divorce? What about the children?

Jewish Family & Child Service offers a program to help you and your children adjust to the stress of separation and divorce. This is a 6-session series of groups for children 6-8 years,

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9-12, adolescents 13-18, and for their parents.

Winter program begins the week of Jan. 26 in the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St.

There are evening groups for parents and afternoon groups for children.

Fee information is given upon request (assessment and follow-up services are included).

For additional information call **Gabor Gellert**, 498-5223.

And, JF&CS is conducting these workshops:

You and Your Aging Parents, considers common concerns and feelings related to parents' aging, effective ways of dealing with the relationships and available community resources.

There are six sessions, beginning Thursday, Jan. 29, 7.30-9 p.m.

Divorce Over 40, is for women who find themselves, after many years of marriage, in a world for which they are not emotionally or financially prepared. Six sessions begin Tuesday, Jan. 27, 7:30-9 p.m.

Life Skills for Young Adults helps you learn to be more comfortable with others and improve your social skills through a group discussion program. Cost for eight sessions, 7.30-9 p.m., is $10. Please call for the starting date.

All session are held at the Jewish Family & Child Service, 4600 Bathurst St. in the Lipa Green Building. Cost of each series is $35 per person or $50 a couple, unless otherwise stated. Scholarships are available. Call 638-7800, ext. 292.

ADATH ISRAEL SISTERHOOD

Adath Israel Sisterhood celebrates the centennial of the Jewish Theological Seminary and a Women's League for Conservative Judaism Shabbat, on Friday, Jan. 16. Services are at 6 p.m., dinner, 6.45.

This is open to members and their families only.

At Shabbat morning services, commencing 9 a.m., **Debra Reed Blank**, third year rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will address the congregation on the topic, Our Seminary, The Men and Women of the First Century.

For more information phone 635-5340.

ADULT STUDY AT ADATH ISRAEL

Winterludes 1987, is a 4-week program presented by the Adult Study Committee of Adath Israel Congregation on Sunday evenings at 8 p.m. Opening lecture, Feb. 8, will be given by **Prof. Irving Abella**, author of None is Too Many. On Feb. 15, special guest is **Gerry Weiner**, federal minister of state for immigration. The third lecture, Feb. 22, features **Shira Herzog Bessin**, executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee, and at the concluding session, March 1, **Judy Feld Carr** will talk about Forgotten Hostages of the Middle East.

Plan to attend. Mark your calendars now.

DOWNTOWN BBYO CHAPTER

A downtown chapter of BBYO (B'nai B'rith Youth Organization) is starting at the Bloor JCC (corner of Spadina).

Don't miss out on all the fun and excitement. For more information phone **Miriam** at 635-9411.

DR. W. FILDERMAN LODGE BB

Dr. W. Filderman Romanian Lodge, B'nai B'rith, celebrated Chanukah with the traditional candlelighting and a festive program introduced by **Srul Strulovici.**

Dr. Adolph Brettler explained the significance of Chanukah and **Sam Bacher** warned about the rise of anti-semitism, asking for the support of all who understand the danger which in past years led to the Holocaust.

Adrian Boldan reported on Israeli news.

Pianist **Brenda Baranga** performed from the classics, **Anton Herescu** recited two of his poems and **Adrian Baranga** read **Sholom Aleichem.**

The program concluded with songs by pianist **Sanda Baranga.**

Refreshments were served, and members look forward to observing another happy Chanukah next year.

ATTENTION SMALL TOWNERS

If you now live or have ever lived in a small Ontario city or town, or a rural area, and would like to pool information on the Jewish community there, present or past, Philip Franklin, 69 Letchworth Cres., Downsview, would be interested in hearing from you.

THE THIRD FLOOR

The Third Floor Central Eglinton Community Centre, formerly at Mt. Pleasant and Eglinton, has moved to new premises at 555 Mt. Pleasant Rd., above the Crest Theatre.

Among programs beginning soon are the following.

Aid For New Mothers, 12 meetings, Wednesdays, 1.30-3.30 p.m. to help and support women as they adapt to their new roles. Cost is $24. For location and registration call the 24-hour Hotline, 535-2368.

Enjoying Your Toddler, 12 weekly periods, Fridays, 9.30-11 a.m., for children 16-24 months and their mothers or primary care givers. The group is limited to 12 participants and no babysitting is provided. Cost is $25 for materials. For location and registration call **Susan**, 487-4096.

Tai Chi, Tuesdays, 7.30-9 p.m., at Davisville Public School. Cost is $20 for a 4-week session. Call 656-2110 to register.

For free personal income tax information, call the office, 487-4096, mid-February until the end of April for assistance in completing your tax return. A volunteer chartered accountant will be available Tuesday evenings from 7-10 p.m. You may phone for information or make an appointment beforehand to come in, or, you can even call on a Tuesday evening and if the accountant is not booked you can come in without an appointment.

ANTIQUE JUDAICA

B'nai Torah Congregation Adult Education Committee, invites you to attend a series of exciting presentations on Antique Judaica to be given in the synagogue, 465 Patricia Ave., on Sunday evenings at 8 o'clock.

March 1, **Larry Levenstein** will provide information on Antique Haggadot Shel Pesach.

March 22, **Prof. Menachem Schmelzer** will discuss Illuminated Jewish Manuscripts.

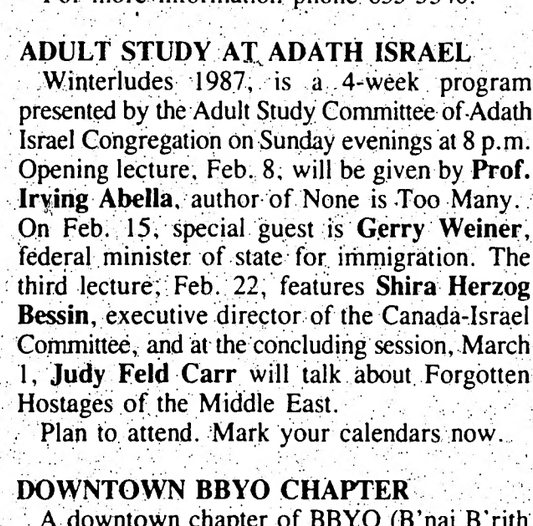
Jewish Art in Crystal and Glass will be examined by **Joe Markovic** at a date to be announced.

NCSY ACTIVITIES

NCSY (National Conference of Synagogue Youth) is organizing a Day-Long Ski Trip to Mt. St. Louis, Sunday, Feb. 8. Cost of $35, includes lift ticket, round-trip transportation from Toronto, ski rentals (subtract $15 if you have your own equipment, add $5 for private ski lessons) and lunch. Here's a chance to have a good time with friends.

Feb. 13-15, a special Shabbaton program for grades 7 and 8 takes place in Hamilton at Adas Israel Congregation, 125 Cline Ave. S. This is open to grades 7 and 8 only, and there will be great advisors to plan the program, plus a Jewish Rock band for entertainment.

For more details on these events, contact **Rabbi Nosson Westreich** at the NCSY office, 782-3117 or 782-5422.



FAREWELL TO GOLDBERG

United Synagogue Day School president Harvey Joseph wishes Pearl Goldberg, junior high school principal, a mazel tov at the evening of tribute honoring her on her retirement after 25 years with USDS.

for seniors

CSJE (Coordinated Services To Jewish Elderly) has moved to its new home, at 530 Wilson Ave. CSJE's new office, just east of Wilson Heights Blvd. has more meeting and interview rooms for clients, families and staff; and there is also designated office space for volunteers. The number 7 or 7G bus, running south on Bathurst St., will take you to the agency without a change. If you're coming from south of Wilson, you'll have to transfer at Bathurst and Wilson to the 7 or 7G or the 96W. The phone number remains the same, 635-2860.

Despite the winter chill, **Coffee House 60** continues to be the place for seniors to warm up with good conversation and skill development. This is a group for the self-motivated and young spirited — 1 p.m. Tuesdays, at the Bloor JCC.

Thursday, Feb. 15, at the Bloor JCC, come to the **Good Age Club** to hear about Life on Kibbutz — Has It Maintained Its Socialist Principles? This is at 2 p.m. and refreshments will be served.

A representative of Greenpeace, the environmental group with a worldwide reputation, will address the Good Age Club at 2 p.m.

Cost for each of these gatherings at the Bloor JCC is 50 cents for members, 75 cents, non-members. All meetings are in the main lounge. For additional information, call Sarah, 924-6211.

NCJW AWARD

Sheila Freeman (left), president of National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, presents the 1986 national community leadership award to Helen Marr, its first recipient. The ceremony, which also celebrated National Council's 90th birthday, took place in Toronto.

Meet The Author, at the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave., presents **Manuel Linden**, who will read excerpts from his poetry and creative writing, 10.30 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 22, in the Fireside Lounge. Admission is free. Don't miss this stimulating literary event.

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widowers Program for men over 55 years of age, widowed less than two years, will be held Wednesday, Jan. 21 from 7.30-9.30 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information call 789-5131, local 2269, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Program for women 55-70 years of age, widowed less than two years, is on Sunday, Jan. 18, from 12.30-2 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information call 789-5131, local 2271, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Wagman Centre Self- Help Elderly Widows Program for women 70 years of age and over, widowed less than two years, takes place Monday, Jan. 19 from 1.30-3 p.m. in Rooms A and B of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information call 789-5131, local 410, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50 meets on Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 1.30 p.m. in the synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St., to hear popular and Yiddish melodies presented by **Joseph Roth.** Coffee and cake will be served. Cost to non-members of the club is $1.50.

Attend an Open House , Thursday, Jan. 22 at **Lewis S. Beattie Secondary School** 110 Drewry Ave., 10-11.30 a.m. or 1-2.30 p.m., and meet other seniors taking courses at the school. There will be refreshments and free prizes. A translator will be available for non-English speaking seniors. For additional details phone 223-4130.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

A new winter program, Life and Literature, introduces Yiddish and English readings, theatre improvisations and Yiddish poetry discussions, conducted by **Nathan Garnick** and **Sylvia Lennick**, 1-3 p.m. in the Music Room on alternate Fridays, through April 10. This is for members only and there is no charge. To inquire further contact the program director at 225-2112.

Seeking Relief From Arthritic Pain, a health lecture series, continues at 1.30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, in the synagogue with, Physiotherapy for Arthritis Sufferers — Does it Work, How, and Why? Speaker is **Navin Doshin**, director of physiotherapy, Arthritis Society.

Wednesday Afternoon Social, Jan. 21, features musical artists **Sarah Hertzberg** and **Ada Lewis**.

Dance to the lively music of the Creative Band, 7.30-10.30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 18. Admission is $2 for members, $2.50, non-members.

It's a trip to the Ontario Science Centre, Wednesday, Jan. 21. Leave the Bernard Betel Centre at 9.15 a.m. for a lecture on, The Human Body. Bring your own lunch, or buy it at the cafeteria. A romantic comedy movie, Summer Madness, will be screened. Price, $3.50, includes transportation and all admissions (but not lunch).

at the jcc

Senior Adult Services Learning Experiences Group plans a special movie afternoon featuring **Bill Cosby** in Prejudice, 1.30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, in the senior lounge, 4588 Bathurst St. Join the group for an absorbing film, followed by discussion and dessert. Cost is 25 cents to members, 50 cents, non-members. For more information call **Teme Kernerman**, 636-1880, ext. 252.

Senior Adult Services Department welcomes everyone to a program, Security in the Home and On the Streets, prepared by the Metro Safety Council. This is slated for 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the senior lounge, 4588 Bathurst St. Refreshments will served, and there is no charge.

singles

Mayfair West Racquet Club, 3855 Chesswood Dr., is holding a singles party with tennis and squash round robins, on Saturday, Jan. 31 at 7.30 p.m. Cost is $15 non-members, $10 members. If you just want to come for the party after 9 p.m., it is $6 per person. Reservations are a must for tennis and squash. Call **Marcia Levine** at 638-1010.

Club 45/60 (ages 45-60) is now forming through the JCC Valley Singles Network. Come out and give your ideas on what you would like to see happen — concerts, theatre nights, small disco groups and other get-togethers. Keep your weekends busy meeting people who share your interests. Open House is 2-4 p.m., Sunday, Jan.

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18 at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. in the upstairs party room. Admission is $2. For further information call **Myrna**, 223-6028.

Valley Drop-in Nights provide an informal atmosphere for 35-50 year olds, with music (tapes), quiet conversation and games for appropriate evenings. Refreshments are served and hosts and hostesses will be present. Drop-in for this month is 8.30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 17 in the upstairs party room, 7015 Leslie St. Cost is $3 for members (with cards), $4, non-members. Call 889-0813 for additional details.

Metro Toronto Singles presents for the first time, a Sunday Singles Party at Rooney's, 2 Rosehill Ave. (two blocks south of Yonge and St. Clair) 8 p.m., Jan. 18. Door prize is dinner for two at Le Connaisseur. Cover charge is $7. Rooney's for this evening. Phone **Syd,** 222-7111, for more information.

Take me out to the ball game! Metro Toronto Singles is putting together a bus and ticket package for the Toronto Blue Jays home opener, Monday, April 6 at 12.30 p.m. Call **Syd,** 222-7111 by Jan. 24, to reserve. It is necessary to know how many people are interested before the box office opens on Jan. 26.

Club Bluenote, in association with **High Society**, will hold a Super Singles Nite, 7 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 18. Over 1200 singles have been invited. Theme for the evening is Meet Your Match via computer. Enjoy live entertainment and dancing at Club Bluenote, 128 Pears Ave. (north of Avenue Rd.) There is complimentary parking next door. Cover is $8. Phone 783-8520.

About People

International Council of Jewish Women held a meeting of the North American Committee at the home of **Helen Marr**, vice-president of International Council of Jewish Women. **Dorothy Reitman** of Montreal is the first chairman of this committee, which was formulated at the last Triennial Convention in Bournemouth, England.

Present were the ICWJ officers including **Leila Seigel** of Geneva, president; **Barbara Leslie**, New York, vice-president; Shirley Joseph, Buffalo, chairman of women's issues; Alma Goldman, Boston, treasurer.

Also present were **Shirley Kort** and **Carol Kline** of Vancouver, and Canadian National Council of Jewish Women of Canada officers, **Sheila Freeman,** national president; **Gloria Roden**, vice president; **Ronnee Alter** vice-president, London; **Terry Goldberg**, **Gloria Strom**, and **Eleanor Appleby**, executive director.

The purpose of this meeting was to complete plans for the International Council of Jewish Women 14th Triennial Convention and 75th Birthday, which will be hosted by NCJW of Canada in Vancouver, May 23-27.

ICJW MEETING

Attending a meeting of the International Council of Jewish Women at the home of vice-president Helen Marr are, left to right, Helen Marr, Sheila Freeman, national president, NCJW of Canada; Dorothy Reitman, chairman, North American Committee, ICJW and president of Canadian Jewish Congress; Leila Spigel, president, ICJW.

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An Evening of Yiddish Song and Story
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*Accompanist Dorothy Sandler Glick
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Wednesdays, Feb. 25-March 18
7:30-8:30 p.m.
with **Dr. Aaron Nussbaum**
Director of Education, United Synagogue Day School
Topic: "Four Decisive Personalities in Jewish History — Maimonides, Moses Mendelsohn, Rabbi Akiva, Theodor Herzl"

Sunday, February 15,
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TORONTO —

More than 100 leaders of Toronto's Jewish community and representatives of government, came to bid farewell last week to Israel's 10th ambassador to Canada, Eliashiv Ben-Horin, and his wife Nahama who will be returning to their home in Jerusalem next month.

The reception to honor the ambassador, who is retiring from diplomatic life, was held at the home of Shira Herzog Bessin, the national executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee and Berl Bessin. The CIC sponsored the farewell gathering.

Throughout the evening, as the ambassador and his wife greeted their well-wishers, they reminisced about their three years in this country. "We have wonderful memories of Canada," says Nahama Ben-Horin.

"From the first dinner party hosted by Jimmy Kay to welcome us, we knew the chemistry was there. This was one of the most comfortable posts that we had. We've learned a great deal. And we're going home with many friendships in our hearts."

Eliashiv Ben-Horin, one of Israel's most seasoned diplomats, reflected on his 35 years in the diplomatic corps after he and his wife served in the army during the War of Independence. In 1951, he joined the foreign ministry and was posted to the United Nations and then to Israel's embassy in Washington. He served as ambassador to Burma, West Germany and Belgium and several other posts before accepting the post in Canada.

The ambassador says that it was his wife who wanted to come to Canada. "I want to go to the New World — I want to go to Ottawa," she told him. "She proved to be right," he said. And throughout the evening their "love of Canada — from coast to coast," permeated their conversations.

"We love the small communities, as well as Vancouver, Victoria, Toronto — we will remember what an exceptionally beautiful place Canada is — not only the landscape, but the atmosphere and the quality of life, not just the standard of life.

"The Canadian community is one of the very finest Jewish communities we have come across both in our official work and privately — the warmth, the commitment, and the involvement on the part of most communities and organizations."

Herzog Bessin told the guests that being an Israeli ambassador "is not an easy task, it means being caught, very often, in the eye of a storm." To do so, she added, one has to draw upon very strong personal resources and the courage of one's convictions, and have a sense of the Jewish past, present and future.

"For us at CIC, in the Jewish community, and for friends of Israel in Canada, the Ben-Horins have represented the best of Israel in their quiet dignity, in their warmth — they have been a credit to their government and their people and a joy to have in our midst."

The 65-year-old career diplomat joked about his retirement noting, "I don't think we'll remain inactive."

Ben-Horin outlined the tasks of an ambassador which include, "promoting the interests of Israel and presenting Israel's choices." He also indicated the importance of increasing Israeli-Canadian ties in all areas.

"We have devoted a major part of our time to promoting the substance of the bilateral relationship with Canada. It is moving slowly. For my temperament, a little too slowly, but it is moving in the right direction."

"First class"

The ambassador said, "We have been fortunate in our relations on Parliament Hill. We have had a relationship of dialogue with the government of Canada — not confrontation."

He recognized two members of Parliament, Roland de Corneille of Eglinton-Lawrence and John Oostrom of Willowdale. "If there were more of your kind of mind and approach, we would have an even easier task."

The ambassador described the CIC leadership and professionals as "first class," and "invaluable."

Anne Gross, the immediate past chairman of the CIC presented the ambassador with a hand-colored lithographed map of Upper and Lower Canada dating back to the 1930s, published in London by Longman, Rees, Orne, Brown & Green.

In her remarks, she told of the ambassador's participation in the rebirth of Israel and the murder of 42 members of his family during the Holocaust. She added that he had garnered widespread respect for his professionalism and dedication in the course of his service in Ottawa.

Guests at the farewell reception included, Moshe Ben Zioni, Consul of Israel in Toronto; Max Shecter, the president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Central Region; Prof. Eva Dessen, the executive director of Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East; Frank Dimant, executive vice-president, B'nai Brith Canada; Judge Rosalie Abella and Prof. Irving Abella; and Maurice Lucow, editor of The Canadian Jewish News.

The guest list included the leadership of most Jewish organizations, senior journalists, Canadian and Israeli academics, representatives of Israeli banks, and Israeli diplomats posted in Toronto.

Community leaders extending best wishes included Ray and Rose Wolfe; Donald Carr and Judy Feld Carr; Myrtle Coopersmith, president of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO; Harriet Morton, national president of ORT; Jerry Halbert, national president of Canadian Friends of The Hebrew University; and rabbis Benjamin Friedberg of Beth Tzedec Congregation, Dow Marmur of Holy Blossom Temple and Gunther Plaut, senior scholar at Holy Blossom Temple.

The ambassador and his wife will be farewelled in Montreal and Ottawa before leaving for Israel. For their guests in Toronto, it was hard to believe that three years had passed since Eliashiv Ben-Horin had presented his letters of credence to Governor-General Ed Schreyer at Ottawa's Government House.

For the Ben-Horins, it was an opportunity to tell their many friends in Toronto "how deeply we have felt as part of your community."

Seen at a reception for departing Israeli Ambassador Eliashiv Ben-Horin (centre) and Nehama Ben-Horin (third from right) are Ray Wolfe, Rose Wolfe, Shira Herzog Bessin, Harriet Morton and Jerry Halbert.

Saying farewell to Israeli Ambassador Eliashiv Ben-Horin (centre) and Nehama Ben-Horin (second from left) are Myrtle Coopersmith, Anne Gross and Rabbi Gunther Plaut.

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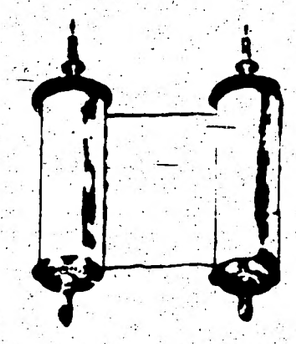

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Vayechi

No one can measure the holiness of each Jew. No one can fathom the depth of the smallest mitzvah.

Reb Levi Yitzchak of Berditchev used to visit every Jew he heard was ill — bikkur cholim.

Once he visited a Jew who was very despondent: "Rebbe," he cried, "I know that my hours are limited. I have to enter the World to Come, but what will be my lot there? I have nothing to bring!"

"Answered Reb Levi Yitzchak: "Nothing to worry about. I give you my portion in the World to Come."

The man heard the tzaddik's words with gratitude, closed his eyes and passed away peacefully.

Afterwards, his followers asked Reb Levi: "Rebbe, we understand you wanted to encourage this man. But did you have to go so far to give away your World to Come?"

Answered Reb Levi Yitzchak: "It is worth my whole World to Come to give peace of mind for a few minutes to a Jew who is deathly ill."

* * *

No Jew is lost. The Jewish people will never be lost, never disappear.

Consider . . . this week's parsha. Vayechi, begins strangely. In every other section, there is an opening, a clear division between parsha and parsha. Daylight!

But between last week's parsha and this week, it is closed, sealed off. Why?

Explained the Pri Tzaddik: to teach that this section of the Torah, the whole story of Jacob and his sons is a closed, mysterious book. It was God's will that only when Jacob and his sons descended into the exile — the darkness, the servitude, the suffering of Egypt — only there should they be formed into a nation!

"Hee'nay am yatzah mee'mitzraim . . . Behold a people has come out of Egypt!"

The Torah, too, should have been given in Jerusalem, in the Galilee, in the Holy land, in Hebron.

Instead . . . it was given in the midbar, the wilderness and waste of Sinai. Out of darkness came the greatest light.

Why? Parsha satumah! A mystery, a secret beyond human understanding.

Taught Reb Bunim of Parshischa: "Although the souls of each generation grow lesser and lesser, the "pintelle neshama," the very essence and centre of each soul, grows purer and clearer."

Every Jew is in his own exile. We search for holiness, for God, for meaning, for direction, for good deeds, for the World to Come, for our own Jerusalem. How shall we find our way back?

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And generosity. Said the Malbim: "I see an upside-down world. Jews kiss the Torah with their hands, and make contributions with their mouth.

"It should be the opposite. Their pledges should be made with their hands, and they should kiss the Torah with their mouths."

May redemption come easy as ABC. Shabbat Shalom.

Austrians begin art claims review

OTTAWA —

Austrian officials have started to process some 366 claims to art stolen by the Nazis during World War II.

Though he could not reveal other information about the sought objects or the claimants, Austrian embassy counselor Otto Deitz said 13 claims for the 1,170 confiscated works came from Canada.

The claims, which had to be filed by Sept. 30, came from 25 countries. The countries and numbers of claims are: Hungary, 116; United States, 79; Austria, 43; Britain, 26; and Israel, 15. Other claims came from South Africa, Brazil and Ireland.

France has made a collective claim to all objects originating there, but Austria has refused to recognize it, the New York Times Service has reported.

The Times adds that the first award under the agreement went to the Dutch government, which claimed two paintings based on lists of artworks looted by the Nazis in the Netherlands and never recovered.

The Committee for Jewish Claims on Austria, (a coalition of Jewish organizations representing Jewish interests in the matter), states in a release that the majority of the objects have been covered by claims.

Of 623 paintings (mostly 19th century academic works), 454 have been claimed, the committee states.

According to the agreement between the Austrian government and the committee, those objects not returned are to be auctioned off and the proceeds distributed to Jewish charities.

Dr. Israel Miller, president of the committee, says that a number of objects have been claimed by more than one person. Such claims will be referred to a court for final adjudication, he states, noting it is premature to consider arrangements for the sale of the unclaimed and unrestituted objects.

Austria has been holding the art — often called the Mauerback collection after the 17th-century Carthusian monastery where most of it is stored — since 1955, and has been under pressure to find the rightful heirs.

The collection includes paintings, drawings, sculpture, coins and books and odds and ends ranging from rugs to porcelain. Some items were taken from museums, but most were seized from Jews during the Holocaust.

BB Girls leader coming to region

TORONTO —

Suri Duitch, newly elected international president of B'nai B'rith Girls, will be here later this month to meet with members of Lake Ontario Region.

The region said in a press release that its president Andrea David will accompany Duitch, a 17-year-old high school senior from Colorado Springs, Co., during her 2-day visit with many of the 1,000 members of BBG — the female component of B'nai B'rith Youth Organization.

While here, Duitch will attend the First Cafe on Jan. 28, an evening sponsored by Re'ut BBG for all BBG members.

Suri Duitch

Duitch, who has held various regional positions, was elected during the youth organization's international convention held in Starlight, Pa.

Film about WWII screened Jan. 18

TORONTO —

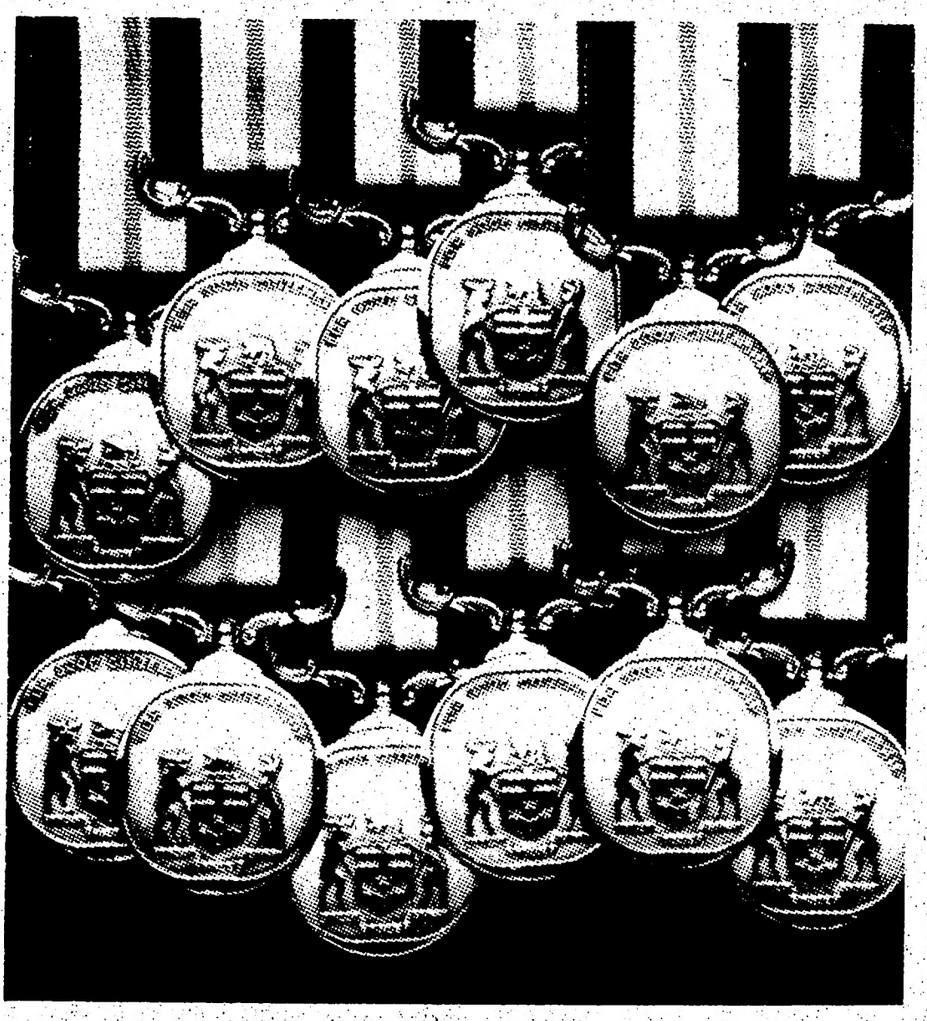
La Passante, an English subtitled French film about World War II survival and postwar revenge, will be screened by the Toronto Jewish Media Centre, 7.30 p.m. Sunday Jan. 18 at the Lipa Green Building, 4th floor.

Salem Alaton, film critic for The Globe and Mail, will lead a discussion following the screening.

La Passante is the second in a series of six films being screened by the media centre. Subscription cost per person for them all is $25.

The media centre is a joint project of the Board of Jewish Education and the Toronto Jewish Cultural Council.

For more information, phone (416) 635-2883, extension 151.



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Women participating more in endowment funds

TORONTO —

Women's participation in endowment funds is increasing in North America, says Gella Rothstein, chairman of the Women's Committee of the Endowment Fund of United Jewish Welfare Fund, Toronto Jewish Congress.

An active member of Toronto's Jewish community, Rothstein attended the General Assembly of Jewish Federations in Chicago as the new head of the Women's Committee.

She said the idea of endowment is beginning to take root among women here "but they must assume greater financial responsibility within the Jewish community. It is crucial that women who are capable of supporting an endowment fund program be involved."

Gella Rothstein

The Endowment Fund — a capital fund to produce income annually in support of essential community services in the social welfare, health and education fields — is a natural vehicle for women to show their concrete support for the quality of life of their children and grandchildren, said Rothstein.

For many women, the control of money is intimidating, explained Rothstein who is a past chairman of United Jewish Appeal's Women's Division and serves on other Toronto Jewish Congress committees.

"But with increasing wealth, either through inheritance or business activity, comes greater responsibility and need for an equal opportunity to invest in the Jewish community."

As chairman of the Women's Committee, Rothstein will continue the annual day-long seminars to update women's knowledge of family and tax laws, estate planning and investment strategies.

The seminars help "create a comfortable climate through education so that women begin to think about endowment to the community, even if they are young," says Rothstein. The seminars explain the different methods of contribution, such as a bequest by will, gifts of cash or securities, a gift of life insurance or a gift of income.

In addition to the spring seminars, Rothstein is launching a letter of intent program which "allows for more one-to-one communication." A letter of intent is an unofficial declaration that a person is willing to consider providing for an endowment, either currently or in a will, says Rothstein. It is non-binding and non-legal but "sows the idea of an endowment contribution in a person's mind."

The education process of increasing women's awareness of community investment opportunities with the Endowment Fund is long-term and delicate. Women need to be reassured that their family's financial welfare is secure, but increasingly, they are willing to share equally in the building of a strong Jewish community, Rothstein said.

Downtowners need aid

TORONTO —

The some 8,000 Jews who now call downtown Toronto home lack the social and religious services necessary to foster a sense of identity, a York University professor said recently.

Stuart Schoenfeld, a sociology professor at York's Glendon College who teaches a course in Jewish studies, described the situation of the downtown community to an audience of 50 at a breakfast club meeting at Beth Sholom Synagogue.

The downtown population, living around and south of Bloor St., is diverse and includes rich and poor, young and old, married and single, he said. Many have filtered back since the 70s to the sites where their parents and grandparents first lived.

But there are no apparent concentrations of Jewish residents, said Schoenfeld. In the Spadina-Ossington area, he noted, only three or four people are Jews in a block of 50 homes.

And about 27% of Jews living in the downtown area live below the poverty line and cannot find affordable housing in other areas, the professor said.

"On the whole, compared to the rest of the city, there is more poverty and intermarriage in the Jewish community living in downtown Toronto.

"As a result, downtown is like a frontier without any real kind of organization and Jews are not necessarily a visible part of the community."

Intermarriage is much higher downtown, he said. Among all married Jews in Ontario, 90% have married within their faith, said Schoenfeld.

But in the downtown area, only 58% of Jews are married to Jews.

The downtown population is an aging one and many residents are staying in the homes they own.

Another group of older residents are retired and semi-retired people who sold their homes and moved into downtown condominiums.

The community's growth was also aided by an influx of some 20,000 Jews who moved to Toronto between 1971 and 1981. Others have been drawn by lower housing prices and the attractive older homes.

The high poverty level can be accounted for by the availability of subsidized housing and prevalence of students earning little or no income.

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Organizations and People

More support for Baycrest reduces its deficit

By JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

As a result of increased community support, Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care managed to reduce its operating deficit in the 1985-86 operating year, according to the centre's annual report.

For the year ending March 31, 1986, Baycrest had a net operating deficit after community support of $555,052, down from the previous year's total of over $1.2 million. This was largely due to an increase of over $829,000 in community support. The largest increase in community support came from investment income.

While the Centre's actual deficit increased by $160,000 or 5.3% over the previous year's, it remained $385,000 lower than the budgeted deficit. This was due to an increase in the admission ceiling for the number of nursing hours per resident.

The past year was a busy one for Baycrest which saw the new Baycrest Hospital open in May and major renovations to the Jewish Home for the Aged begin in late 1986. When completed it will result in residents having increased activity areas and a completely renovated and relocated synagogue and beauty salon/barber area.

Other developments:

Establishment of initiatives to ensure that future programs continue to reflect the needs of an increasing population of elderly people. These include the formation of a board strategic planning committee, the introduction of a planning department and the establishment of a joint planning committee comprised of board and management representatives from Baycrest and Mount Sinai Hospital.

Also established was a research department at Baycrest.

Funding came from Canada Health and Welfare and the Ontario ministry of community and social services for a 3-year demonstration project by Baycrest's central intake workers. It will provide support, information, education and training to all generations presently caring for the elderly.

Planned and approved expansion of day care services. Included are services to provide relief and support to family caregivers while providing increased services to those elderly people with moderate cognitive impairment.

The Wagman Centre was accepted as a member of the United Way and now receives regular support from the organization.

Baycrest's quality assurance program was developed and refined to ensure care provided continues to meet the Centre mission of providing highest-quality programs designed to meet the medical, emotional and social needs of the elderly.

The Problem Oriented Medical Information System (PROMIS) computer system was installed and tested. The system, which provides totally computerized patient records, features the ability to retrieve and compare diagnostic and treatment information from different parts of a patient chart.

Baycrest Centre continued to provide training to many undergraduate students in a wide range of professional disciplines.

National Non-Smoking Week

Butt out and save your life

TORONTO —

Jan. 15-21 is National Non-Smoking Week in Canada and health agencies are pointing out once again that the risks linked to smoking are alarming but the simple act of quitting can increase your life span.

After not smoking for one year, your risk of heart attack starts to decline. After 10 years, your chances of developing heart disease are the same as someone who never smoked. Your risk of lung cancer levels off once you stop smoking.

Soon after you stop smoking, you should notice some of the benefits of quitting. In a short time:

- Your breathing will become easier.
- Your smoker's cough (hack) will disappear.
- Your sense of taste will improve.
- Your sense of smell will become sharper.
- Your energy level will increase.
- Your clothes and hair will no longer smell of smoke.
- Your fingers and teeth will lose their yellow color.
- Your skin will regain its natural moisture.

One of the most common factors associated with attempting to quit, particularly among women, is the fear of weight gain.

Research shows that weight gain does not have to go hand-in-hand with quitting.

You may even lose weight because you feel better and are exercising more.

When you attempt to quit, you may experience changes in your body and emotions. Many of these changes are related to nicotine withdrawal and are a physical response to the absence of nicotine.

Some of the more typical nicotine withdrawal symptoms include craving for tobacco, irritability, anxiety, difficulty in concentrating, restlessness, headache, drowsiness and gastrointestinal disturbances.

If you have tried to stop smoking in the past, you know these symptoms are most intense during the first few days of quitting, but that they often linger for weeks and even months.

The good news is that if you decide to quit, nicotine withdrawal symptoms need not be overpowering and don't even have to appear.

The smoker who prepares to deal with these withdrawal symptoms usually stands a better chance of quitting successfully.

Talk to your doctor if you've failed in the past or are a heavy smoker and think you need help. Or, call a local public health agency to find out if they offer smoking cessation programs.

Beth Jacob to hold dinner on Feb. 1

TORONTO —

Beth Jacob High School for Girls will hold its 25th annual dinner on Sunday, Feb. 1, "a milestone in Toronto Torah education," according to a school spokesman.

Although the majority of the school's students are graduates of Orthodox day schools, they also include girls "from all over. We have absorbed students who did not know the Hebrew alphabet when they arrived," he said.

The school, which has a current enrolment of over 100 students in grades 9 and up, also houses the Jacob Perlman Teachers' Seminary. At the latter girls are taught a professional curriculum designed to help them identify and respond Jewishly to all aspects of child growth and development. The emphasis is on practical teaching skills and classroom management.

The dinner, which begins with cocktails at 5 p.m., will be held at Torah Emeth, Viewmount Ave.

Guest speaker will be Rabbi Yaakov Fietman, spiritual leader of Cleveland's Young Israel Congregation. Fietman writes and lectures extensively for Torah subjects in various U.S. publications.

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Under certain conditions muscle damage results

Not all exercise is good, Technion study finds

HAIFA —

The conventional wisdom that all exercise is good has been challenged in recent findings by the researchers at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology and the Israel army medical corps.

Technion researchers in the faculty of medicine and the department of biology discovered that even mild exercise under certain conditions can cause damage to muscles, reduce the efficiency and protection of body cells and put undue pressure on the kidneys.

The Technion tests, which were carried out on laboratory mice, showed that while exercise had a positive effect on the muscles of young animals, it caused considerable damage to the muscles of those past middle age.

Results for middle-aged mice were mixed, depending on whether the subject started to exercise at a young age or not — those mice which began exercise in their youth and continued into middle age showed positive results.

In the Israel army study, it was found that soldiers subjected to prolonged physical stress can suffer muscle and kidney damage. This damage is more pronounced in recruits training during hot, dry weather, and in those who are not in top physical condition.

Twenty recruits training for an elite army unit took part in the tests. On the day of their induction, the recruits underwent physical examinations and their condition was monitored during the course of their training.

The army doctors found that in the first two weeks of training, concentrated physical effort caused muscle damage and as a result of this the level of myoglobin, which is a muscle protein, rose in the blood, causing kidney malfunctioning. The recruits' myoglobin levels were normal before physical effort but rose dramatically afterwards throughout the training period.

Technion researcher Dr. Abraham Reznick of the faculty of medicine, who participated in the original Technion research projects, noted that "these findings are exactly what we found in animals. When we exercise, we use a lot of oxygen. The by-products of this oxygen are very damaging to the tissues and the cells.

"Also, during strenuous physical effort, the muscles break down major proteins in the body, which can cause kidney malfunctioning. In addition, exercising increases our blood flow rate and this can build up pressure on the kidney."

Reznick added a word of caution, "In young soldiers, the kidney malfunctioning was reversible after a period of rest. Our studies on older animals found that they suffered severe damage, which in many cases proved to be permanent.

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Organizations and People

Bernard Wolf community pioneer

"Grand gentleman" of London dies at age 96

LONDON, Ont. —
Bernard Wolf, dubbed the "unofficial grand gentleman of the London Jewish community," died Jan. 6 at his winter retreat in Daytona Beach, Fla. at age 96.

Wolf, who last month marked his 72nd wedding anniversary, was born in Wolochisk, Russia and emigrated to Canada in 1904.

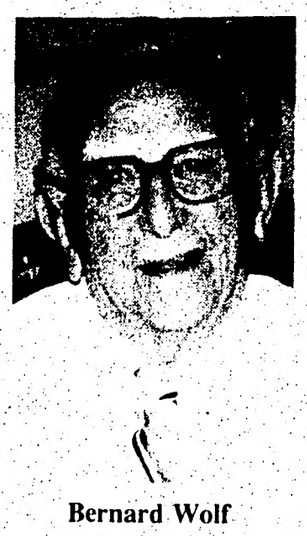
He founded Artistic Ladies Wear Ltd., with his late brother David around 1909. The business remained in the family until recently.

Real estate was an enterprising business for Wolf and one transaction resulted in a precedent-setting legal case.

In the 1940s, Wolf ran into a restrictive covenant that prevented a piece of land from being sold to, among others, Jews, Blacks and native Indians. Wolf and the vendor challenged the condition in the courts, losing in the lower echelons of the justice system but winning in the Supreme Court of Canada, which struck down such covenants.

Wolf was a founding member and first president of the London Jewish Community Council and was also involved with the Canadian Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and the Kiwanis.

In 1956, the London businessman became one of the 11,000 Jewish men and women around the world to be included in the first edition of Who's Who in World Jewry.



Bernard Wolf

He also served as the city-appointed representative to the senate of the University of Western Ontario and as head of a local committee of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Rabbi Reuben Slonim officiated at the funeral, which was held at Logan Chapel, Furtney Funeral Homes here.

Wolf is survived by his wife Bessie.

Teachers meet planned

TORONTO —
Keeping Conservative Judaism Alive in the Classroom will be the theme of the Second Annual Professional Development Day for Conservative Jewish Schools to be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 20 at the Lipa Green Building.

The event is sponsored by Jewish Educators' Assembly-Canada Region, the United Synagogue of America (Ontario Region), and the Toronto Board of Jewish Education and will feature U.S. educator Lifsa Schachter as keynote speaker and a number of concurrent workshops.

Schachter, who will speak on the program theme, is visiting assistant professor in education at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and curriculum coordinator at the Solomon Schechter Day School of Weschester, NY. She has been at the seminary for 10 years leading the practicum in pre-service and in-service teacher education.

The pre-dinner workshops will feature Schachter, Saul Morganstein, principal of United Congregational Schools on the topic Curricular Activities for Pre-Bar Mitzvah Student; and Laura Wallach, a teacher at United Synagogue Day School on Naaseh V'nishma (grades 3 to 5).

The after-dinner workshops will feature Schachter, Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Synagogue on the topic Halacha in Conservative Ideology; and Rabbi Harvey Meirovich of Beth Sholom Synagogue on Revelation in Conservative Ideology.

Dedication ceremonies for school on Jan. 17

TORONTO —
Dedication ceremonies naming a postgraduate school at Chazon Ezekiel, Israel, after the late Judah Weinstock will be held at a dinner sponsored by the Canadian Friends of Kolel Torah Hanegev at 8 p.m. Saturday Jan. 17 at the Torath Emeth Jewish Centre.

Judah Weinstock

The Judah Weinstock Institute for Advanced Halacha Study in the Negev community is comprised of married Sephardi postgraduate students who are studying to become rabbis, scribes and ritual slaughterers.

Weinstock, who died in February, 1975, was the co-founder of Greenwin Construction and the founder of the Delight Dress Co. and Delight Textiles. During his lifetime, he was active in business and philanthropy in Canada and abroad. The Greenwin Group of Companies have established a scholarship in his memory at Tel Aviv University.

Rabbi Yitzchok Kerzner of Clanton Park Congregation will deliver the keynote address at the dedication dinner. Rabbi Aaron Kober, dean of the institute will present citations to Weinstock's children who were instrumental in helping the kollel during its formative years. They are: Gilbert and Meyer Weinstock and Audrey Alon.

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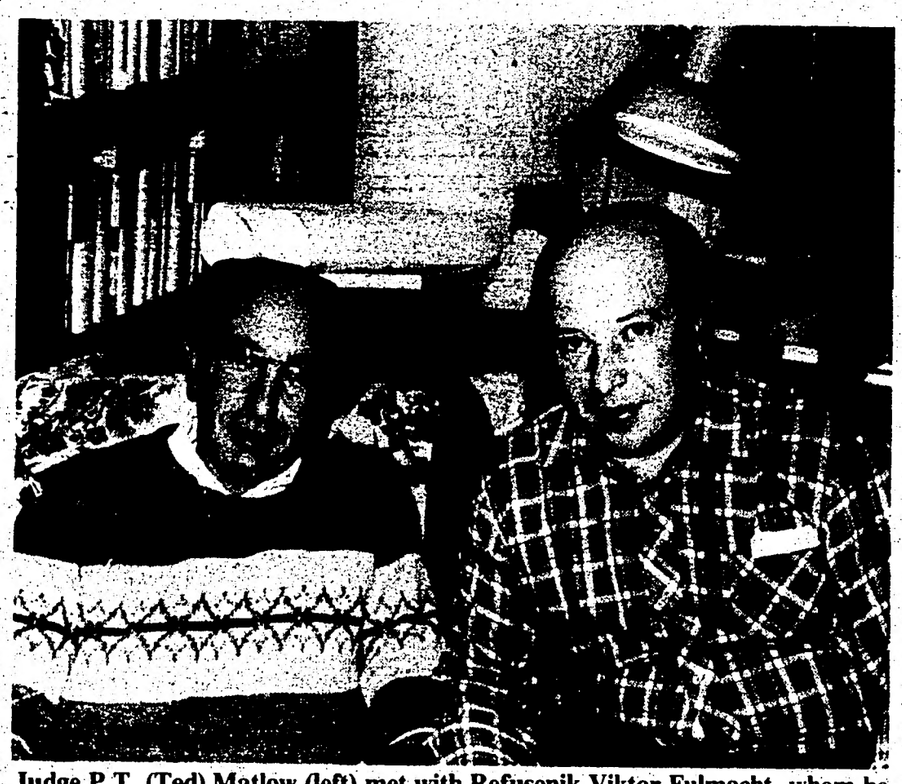
Soviet customs officers confiscated Canadians' medications

Duo voice concern about Refuseniks' health

By
WENDY ROSEN

Dr. Sol Goldstein holds one of the books found at a desecrated cemetery in Vilnius while he talks to Michael Beizer, the Jewish historian of Leningrad, during his recent visit there.



Judge P.T. (Ted) Matlow (left) met with Refusenik Viktor Fulmacht, whom he calls "the next Natan Scharansky," during his recent trip to Moscow.

TORONTO —

Conscience and curiosity.

Those two words express Dr. Sol Goldstein's reasons for going to the Soviet Union and for talking Judge P.T. (Ted) Matlow into accompanying him. The 2-week trip took them to Leningrad, Riga, Vilnius and Moscow.

"It took all of 30 seconds to decide to go after Jeanette Goldman, president of our shul — the Minyan at Cedarvale Public School — (and chairman of National Council of Jewish Women's Soviet Jewry committee) encouraged members to go to meet and lend support to Refuseniks.

"I talked it over with my wife whose father, Aba Gefen, was a former Israeli ambassador to Romania. But if a Jew is in trouble and someone asks me to help, I can't refuse," he said. "I don't want my kids to ask where were you when ... You have to answer for yourself."

Although the child psychologist and the district court judge agreed to go it took several months to fit it into their hectic schedules.

The pair contacted the National Association for Soviet Jewry in Washington, which compiles and gives out to tourists information about Refuseniks as well as what medications and other items are needed there.

"We each carried two huge suitcases filled with medications — all bearing our names — Jewish books, periodicals, tallisim, ritual items and Hebrew cassettes," Matlow said.

"The Soviet customs officers in Leningrad thoroughly checked us and x-rayed our luggage. They knew what we were up to."

The judge said the officers confiscated some of the medications saying that they had too much and could have it back when they left. They also kept some cassettes.

"They saw the tape recorders and other expensive consumer items, which we planned to leave, and listed these on our currency documents. The lists weren't compared on our way out."

The processing took just under two hours and set the tone for the entire trip.

As soon as they arrived at the Leningrad hotel, they deposited their bags in the room and then walked away from the hotel to a secluded phone.

That night, they went to the home of Aba Taratuta, a math teacher in refusal since 1979 who now worked stoking a fire in a bath house. Taratuta arranged a meeting with Alla and Boris Kellman for the next day.

They in turn invited a number of other friends including Michael Beizer, who has been dubbed the Jewish historian of Leningrad.

In addition to giving walking history tours of places of Jewish significance, he's publishing a history periodical on an irregular basis.

Matlow said they "struck up a rapport and he invited us to go with him that evening to meet some of his friends" at the home of another Refusenik couple. About 10 Hebrew students of the wife's had been invited over to hear music and watch a slide presentation of the reconstruction of desecrated Jewish cemeteries in Vilnius and Kaunas.

The husband, a doctor, had just been given notice he was being dismissed from his job at a polyclinic.

They also met with Evgeny Lein, a private math tutor who was so undaunted by his prison experience that he was mobilizing other academics in his field to put pressure on the Soviet authorities on his behalf. He has already received invitations from U.S. universities to join their faculties.

Although most of the Refuseniks they met had been in refusal since 1979, some had first applied in the early 1970s. The Canadians expressed concern about what the waiting is doing to their health.

Goldstein noted that stuttering is a common affliction.

"We talked to a fellow on the street one day. He was being followed by the police and his house was being watched. By the next day, he, too, was stuttering."

Warned to stop visits

The first night in Riga, they visited with two families. The next morning, after taking their compulsory city tour, they visited a small art gallery in the hotel. An Intourist (the Soviet travel bureau) representative approached them to say they were wanted by the administration.

The official, through a "nervous" interpreter, said there had been complaints regarding their visits and warned them to make no further contacts, Matlow said. The official said that if they did not comply with the warning, he could not "guarantee our security."

The Canadians decided not to put the rest of the trip — including dropping off the needed medications — in jeopardy by making further contacts in Riga and Vilnius where they planned to go next.

Just to be safe, they contacted the Canadian embassy in Moscow informing the consul of the situation and giving him the balance of their itinerary. Matlow arranged to call him upon their arrival in Moscow and for an escort to the airport upon departure.

In Moscow, they met Viktor Fulmacht, whom Matlow called the next Natan Scharansky. The judge said Fulmacht has been refused and been told not to bother reapplying. He wrote to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev asking essentially "Why me?"

An underling replied that 15 years earlier Fulmacht, a junior clerk in a geological measurement agency, worked on an atomic testing project and was privy to secret information.

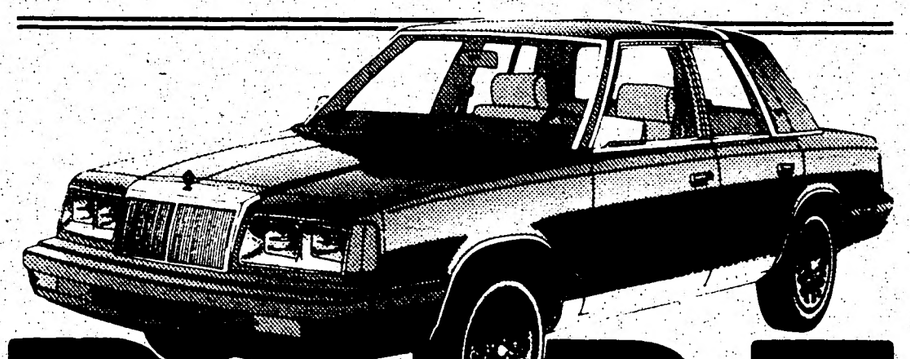
Matlow said that in general terms, the mood of all the Refuseniks was downbeat.

"They had built up hopes on the Iceland summit," the judge said. "But they all knew that no deal was possible because the U.S. would not back down on Star Wars. The Soviet Jewry movement even supported that position."

The Refuseniks are also concerned that the West will be taken in by Gorbachev's more Western appearance.

"They say he's as mean and tough as any of his predecessors," the judge said.

"They Soviets are really sensitive to the West — they don't like to be embarrassed on the international scene. One of the people we met said, 'Keep it up, keep embarrassing the Soviets'."



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TORONTO —

A lobby in the Technion's Canada Nuclear Engineering Institute is being established in memory of Imre Szekely-Molnar with the help of his wife, Terry Angyel-Szekely, the Canadian Technion Society has announced.

Mrs. Szekely has included a "generous bequest" for the Technion in her will, and is now establishing the lobby which will house books, paintings and memorabilia from her collection.

The couple were Holocaust survivors. She was interred in three different camps before being freed on her birthday, March 30, 1945.

Imre Szekely-Molnar was jailed in Hungary for making false identity papers for Jews. They met in 1946 in Budapest and married in 1947. Both journalists, they came to Canada in 1951, where because of language difficulties they had to take menial jobs. They later operated a boarding house and were in charge of Pride of Israel House in Toronto.

Imre, who continued to contribute to Hungarian publications after arriving in Canada, died in 1980. Terry has published poetry in compendiums of Hungarian poetry.

The Canada Nuclear Engineering Institute at the Technion houses Israel's only academic department where graduate courses in nuclear engineering are given, the society says.

This project of the Canadian Technion Society was made possible through major contributions of 10 Canadian families who constituted the "Golden Minyan," supplemented by many smaller contributions.

The department of nuclear engineering provides courses for students of other faculties in addition to preparing nearly 50 students for an MSc and DSc in nuclear engineering.

The department trains senior engineering personnel suited to the particular features of Israel's nuclear energy program. And, graduates of the department are taught to contribute to the development of sophisticated, non-nuclear industry until Israel's nuclear energy program gets fully under way.

Mannie Shimoni, executive vice-president of the Canadian Technion Society, shows Terry Angyel-Szekely plans for the lobby to be dedicated in memory of her husband Imre Szekely-Molnar in the Canada Nuclear Engineering Institute at the Technion.

Hamilton friends boost BB sports night tickets

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

A couple of long-time friends are taking care that ticket sales for the 36th annual B'nai B'rith Sports Celebrity Night on Monday, Feb. 2 at the Hamilton Convention Centre are doing nicely.

Not that Gordon Zack and Leslie Levitt have much to worry about. Over 1,000 guests are expected and as they have done for years, tickets practically sell themselves, according to this year's dinner chairman, Cuppy Katz.

Still, a nudge here and there won't hurt and Zack and Levitt take their job seriously.

Officially, it's Zack who's the ticket chairman but the two friends do everything together.

Both are past presidents of Viceroy Reading Lodge and both have served as Sports Night dinner chairman, Zack three years in a row from 1976 to 1978 and Levitt in 1973.

Together they run the summer barbecue for patients at the Chedoke-McMaster Hospital and the monthly quiz programs for patients during the rest of the year, a program that grew out of the late Harry Beube's idea of Christmas visits to patients that began in 1942.

They've worked on every Viceroy Reading Lodge project, from the respiratory care unit and mobile dialysis equipment for St. Joseph's Hospital, to a residential assessment centre for emotionally disturbed children and a cottage for visiting families of child patients at Chedoke-McMaster Hospital, to Project Renewal in Israel and Shalom Village here, as well as many others.

Gordon Zack, left, and Leslie Levitt.

Both have been active in UJA and while Zack has been involved in Israel Bonds and JNF, Levitt is a member of the Beth Jacob Synagogue board.

Sports Night is Viceroy Reading's main fund raising event and Zack and Levitt can recall the first one in 1961, in the basement of the JCC, organized by Saul Smurlick and emceed by Levitt's brother Norman, who was lodge president that year.

Celebrity guests this year include Marv Levy, coach of the Buffalo Bills football team; Roland Hemond, executive vice-president in the baseball commissioner's office; Blue Jays catcher Ernie Whitt; Keith Gretzky, Wayne's younger brother, who plays with the Hamilton Steelhawks; Tiger Cat defensive lineman Grover Covington; Billy Domazetis of Hamilton Steelers, the Canadian soccer champions;

Linebacker Peter Giftopoulos, a former Hamiltonian now at Penn State; Kathy McEdwards and Jan Augustine, Hamilton members of Marilyn Darte's world curling championship rink and the famous "Bobby Clobber," alias comedian Dave Broadfoot of the Royal Canadian Air Farce.

As well, in association with its long-time partner The Hamilton Spectator, Sports Night honors Hamilton's outstanding high school athletes.

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Death focus distorting Iran culture, says expert

By
SAM MAINSTER

TORONTO —
Islamic fundamentalist government is turning Iran's rich and varied culture into one based on violence and self-sacrifice, says Rivanne Sandler, associate professor of Middle East and Islamic Studies at the University of Toronto.

"Iran's present regime focuses on fear, blood, war, death and revenge as key components of Islam," said Sandler, speaking to the Holy Blossom Temple Breakfast Club recently on Iran's cult of self-sacrifice.

Though self-sacrifice and martyrdom are features of Shiite Islam (Iran's largest religious sect), she said, the regime has focused on them beyond proportion.

"The only music that can be played in public are revolutionary marches and songs praising martyrdom and death," said Sandler. Persian musical tradition is in danger of disappearing through neglect, she added, since works of popular Iranian singers and composers along with classical musical works cannot be played in public.

Sandler spoke of Iranian women gathering to meet while grieving at cemeteries, since the Islamic government had narrowed women's social activities but promoted their grieving as "morally good."

The professor also stated that Iranian schoolchildren are taken on field trips to mortuaries to see how to wrap shrouds and prepare bodies for burial.

Self-sacrifice is promoted constantly on Iranian media, stated Sandler. "The only foreign films allowed are those involving war or revolution," she said, adding that one Iranian joke remarks that heaven must be as boring as television, since both are full of wounded heroes.

Sandler said she sees little opportunity for change in Iran, since the government interferes in every part of people's lives and education is used to make children into "good citizens" of the Islamic republic. As well, she added, the many Iranian opposition groups outside the country cannot reach people inside.

"But people inside Iran will become dissatisfied as the war with Iraq, unemployment and food shortages continue."

The professor bases her information on Iranian dissident journals such as the Paris-published Alef-Ba, recent scholarly works on Iran and Iran's official English language newspaper, Kayhan.

Sandler asked her audience not to judge Islam by what is happening in Iran. "It is too bad that Islam has come into the limelight through the Iranian revolution. It would be different if you could see what Islam means to an ordinary Iranian."

Rivanne Sandler

Alpha Omega organizes aid

Dental school feels bite

TORONTO —
The Hebrew University faculty of dental medicine is depending on fellow dentists in the Diaspora to help it weather the storm of government cutbacks, Dr. Adi Garfunkel, the faculty's newly-elected dean, said during a recent brief visit to Toronto.

Garfunkel, who also serves as chairman of the Hebrew University's Oral Medicine Hospital Service, was here to meet with members of the Alpha Omega Fraternity, which founded the faculty in the 1950s.

He told a meeting of the Toronto chapter executive that thanks to their help, the faculty was having a "tremendous effect on oral hygiene in Israel."

He said that in Israel, a country made up of immigrants from many different cultures, outreach programs were extremely important as a means of maintaining the population's health.

In response to this clearly-defined need, Hebrew University professors go out to immigrant communities and teach proper dental hygiene to children. To illustrate this, he showed slides of Ethiopian Israelis participating in the program.

Another difference with North American dental schools is the role played by immigrants to Israel. Many members of the faculty were originally from North America, England, and the Soviet Union, he said, adding that the school has historically played a major role in promoting the absorption of scientists from abroad.

But he said that Israeli government cutbacks were curtailing the number of new dentists the faculty could absorb.

Over the last five years, he said, Israeli government participation in the Hebrew University's budget has declined by almost 30%, dramatically reducing the number of young researchers on the faculty's staff.

In fact, he said, the faculty has been forced to reduce its purchases of new equipment and books, and recently voted to accept a voluntary pay cut of approximately 8%.

He added that the Hebrew University's dental school has managed to cope so far because of a high percentage of its budget is derived from revenues generated by its outpatient services. "Our dentists use the funds they receive from patients at the university to cover approximately 15% of the school's budget, one of the highest ratios in the world," he said.

But he concluded that in spite of its efforts, the faculty still relies on help from Alpha Omega chapters worldwide, and especially from Canada.

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Counselors' phone-in program proves popular

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO — Personal and intimate.

That's the essence of Doris Strub Epstein and Michael Miller's phone-in live radio show on CKAM 1470 at 9 a.m. Wednesday and Sunday at 9 p.m. on CHOW 1480 in the Niagara Peninsula.

The duo, who worked together as co-counselors at North York Psychotherapy Foundation for the past year, says their show, which averages 10 to 15 callers per hour, differs from the others in two main areas — there is no emphasis on sexual problems and to the best of their knowledge it's the only phone-in show where the hosts are of different sexes.

Miller, who does counseling as an adjunct to his legal practice, says their market is the 20 to 65 year olds whose problems basically concern getting and staying married, infidelity, breaking up and being single again, dating and all the attendent problems of loneliness and new awareness of self. If the person decides to remarry, there are inherent problems for both adults and children adjusting to the new partner.

"Once we spent a whole show talking about adoption."

Because a man and a woman often have different points of view, Miller says the caller gets a full, objective opinion.

As a result of the show, the two Hamilton natives, who never met there though he went to school with her younger sister, have changed from pleasant acquaintances to good friends. As such, they're not afraid to let their differences of opinion out on the air.

"Someone can ask an honest question and get an honest answer about how a member of the opposite sex would react or respond," he says.

Miller says one of the most touching calls they have ever had was from a woman dying of cancer who had a year to live. She was caught in a dilemma. She felt guilty and selfish expressing her own needs because as a wife and mother she had always given to her family.

"We add sensitivity because people have real-life problems and they need help coping," Epstein says, adding that her partner's sense of humor is partially responsible for their success.

Miller agrees. "The key to any success, be it school or marriage, is the presence of humor.

"If you can deal with problems with some humor, it can lighten the load.

Both say they believe the show and the opportunity it offers people with problems is making a difference in callers' lives.

"We've had letters from people who've tried what we tell them to do telling us it's worked. We're helping people help themselves."

The success of the show, which started in May at the Welland station, has amazed both the owners, who approached Miller to do it, and the cohosts.

They have been in the Toronto market for about two months and are now in the discussion stages for more than one morning a week and having the show syndicated across Ontario this summer and nationally in the near future.

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"If this were to happen on grand scale . . ."

Zionists slam Jewish Agency funding bypass

By
WINSTON PICKETT

PHILADELPHIA — In a vote that came at the close of its 9th biennial convention here last week, the umbrella American Zionist Federation unanimously passed a resolution deploring allocation of funds outside established channels.

The measure obviously was a reaction to the San Francisco Jewish Community Federation's recent decision to bypass the Jewish Agency by allocating $100,000 directly to projects in Israel — even though the resolution did not cite the JCF by name (CJN Jan. 8).

"I'm not naming names," said Rabbi Reuben Katz of the American Jewish League for Israel, who chaired the AZF's plenary session. But when a delegate asked for clarification, he added: "The fact that they had an earthquake there should make no difference."

Specifically, the resolution said the AZF "deplores any action by which public campaign funds of the community are disbursed outside the normal United Jewish Appeal-Federation allocations process."

The measure, passed by 220 delegates from 16 American Zionist groups comprising the American Zionist Federation, criticized the JCF action on the basis that "it tends to divide the community and the unity of the combined UJA-Federation campaign."

It was a criticism that was echoed from the highest ranks of the international Zionist community — and from the Jewish Agency itself.

Said Leon Dulzin, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and of the Jewish Agency: "This was a very inconvenient move. It is a breach in the unity of the community's campaign. I urge them to abolish it."

When reached by telephone for a response, Rabbi Brian Lurie, executive director of the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, said he appreciates the Zionist leadership's concern but does not think the unity issue is applicable.

"The $100,000 constitutes approximately 1% of our overseas allocation," he said, "compared to the more than $9 million we've sent for projects within the UJA-Jewish Agency funding structure this year. If that's not a unified gesture, I don't know what is."

Nevertheless, Akiva Lewinsky, treasurer of the WZO and the Jewish Agency, called the separate allocation a mistake, explaining that "if this were to happen on a grand scale, the Jewish Agency wouldn't be able to carry out its mandate."

Last month, the JCF finalized plans to allocate the $100,000 for programs in three areas: furthering democracy in Israel, including Arab-Jewish relations; improving Israel-Diaspora relations; and encouraging religious pluralism in Israel.

The federation's move, in the form of a 1-year grant and stemming from a request by its Jerusalem-based all-volunteer board, was characterized at the time by JCF leaders as a signal to the Jewish Agency to alter its priorities.

These are areas of burning concern to Israelis and American Jews alike, and ones that the Jewish Agency ought to address, the leaders said.

But it is the earmarking of separate funds, no matter how small or how meritoriously spent, that clearly upset the Zionist leadership meeting here.

For Benjamin Cohen, AZF president, the SF federation's action represents the beginning of a "trend of federations who want to decide on their own how they want to spend their money." That trend, he said, constitutes "the first step in breaking up an effective process" of fund raising in the United States.

In an interview at the assembly, Cohen likened the development as a growing fissure in the brick wall of support that American communities customarily have given to Israel. "When the mortar deteriorates, the whole structure eventually collapses," he said.

And while admitting that the federation's independent projects in Israel may be valuable in and of themelves, he said he feels the JCF's decision sets a dangerous precedent — and constitutes an "opening gun."

According to Lurie, however, the federation's decision to earmark monies for projects it wants to support in Israel is well within the patterns of giving that have been established by American Zionist organizations themselves.

"I find their objection interesting," the JCF director said, "when in fact major movements under the AZF umbrella earmark funds for their own projects all the time. Moreover, none of those organizations give any money to the UJA-Jewish Agency campaign."

Citing the case of Hadassah, which sent some $150 million to Israel last year, Lurie wondered out loud why the federation's sending $100,000 should raise such a stir. "Frankly, I don't understand the logic," he said.

Montrealer is Young Liberals president

By
DAVID LAZARUS

OTTAWA — Jonathan Schneiderman, a 25-year-old Montrealer, was recently elected president of the Young Liberals of Canada, the official youth wing of the Liberal Party of Canada.

The election took place at the YLC's annual meeting, held in conjunction with the Liberal Party's November biennial convention.

As president, Schneiderman assumes overall responsibilities as primary spokesman and administrator of the YLC for a 2-year term.

With his election, Schneiderman also gained a seat on the party's 9-member management committee, which includes Liberal Party leader John Turner, president Michael Robert, and past-president Iona Campagnola. He retains his seat on the party's governing national executive.

Schneiderman has long served in the mainstream of Liberal Party politicking.

He recently completed a term as YLC vice-president (finance), and he served three years on the party's reform committee. He worked on the election campaigns of Liberal Party MPs Donald Johnston and Sheila Finestone, as well as the Liberal leadership campaign of John Turner and the 1984 general election campaign. In addition, Schneiderman has also worked as a research and legislative assistant.

Schneiderman will be supported by five vice-presidents elected concurrently at the YLC national meeting.

Currently, he is pursuing a Master's degree in public policy and public administration at Concordia University in Montreal.

Cantorial Gems

Holy Blossom Temple will present Cantors Edward Fogel and Benjamin Maissner in an evening of Cantorial Gems — liturgical and art songs at the temple on Friday, Jan. 16 at 8.30 p.m. In the announcement of this event in the last issue of The CJN we had the right night but the date was wrong. We regret the error.

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Father thanks "warm community"

Little Israeli patient makes surprising recovery

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Ophir Savir is a blue-blood no more and for that his parents are grateful, thanks to an operation here.

The 19-month-old Israeli boy was born with both his heart and its vessels transposed. Blood going from the heart to the tissues didn't carry oxygen consequently his complexion was bluish.

Although Amnon and Orit Savir's family and friends knew the reason for the baby's color, the parents joked to anyone else who was curious that he was a prince and hence had blue blood.

The youngster, who has been treated since birth at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, was operated on in mid-December by Dr. George Trusler of the Hospital for Sick Children — one of the few hospitals in the world which performs the relatively new operation which corrected the reversed heart valves.

Ophir was released six days later surprising everyone including Dr. Robert Freedom, the pediatric cardiologist in charge of the baby's case, who says the usual stay is one to two weeks.

Savir, 28, a captain in the Israeli air force, said that he and his wife, 26, had previously taped Ophir singing and talking to himself. It was those cassettes they played to him over and over again the whole time he was in intensive care. Later, they also played Israeli children's songs.

"These were familiar to him and would remind him of the stories .... He recovered quickly although he's still a little weak from the operation."

The couple, who have access to an apartment in a building across the street from the hospital and one further away where they stayed their first few days in Toronto, never was far from their son's side the entire time he was in hospital.

"Other people may not mind leaving their child in hospital but there was no way I was doing it..... Except for short breaks, we were both with him. One of us was always with him."

The baby is "laughing, eating, sleeping soundly and walking ... it's a miracle."

Savir explained that Ophir, who had a catheterization procedure (which measures — through a dye — blood flow to and from the heart) three times in Israel including one on the day he was born.

Each time, Ophir suffered convulsions as a result of a sensitivity to the dye which the Toronto hospital is no longer using.

"We were nervous and anxious about having the procedure done this time but thank God, nothing's happened so far."

The pilot trainer said Ophir's medical problems were hard on the family — Orit was unable to work as a teacher — but the child suffered the most.

"He was developing slowly. He had poor motor control — he still cannot walk although he now uses a walker.

"When he ate something he got so tired, he couldn't finish. He'd go to sleep but would wake up hungry and frustrated after 1½ hours."

The Savirs, whose 3-month-old daughter Adi is staying with grandparents in Israel, became concerned about eight months ago when their doctor in Jerusalem left to do research in the U.S.

"To get any advice, we'd have to take him about 80 kilometres to Tel Aviv," he said. "It's not easy. Pediatricians there were somewhat nervous about treating him because of his other problems... they weren't even sure about whether Ophir could have innoculations.

"Before he left, I asked our doctor to summarize in English his condition in case we needed to get advice."

Last August, Savir took copies of the record to doctors at Children's Hospital in Boston and Sick Kids. The answer from both was the same: operate.

"Most of the doctors I spoke to in Israel after I returned said to go to Toronto. It wasn't a hard decision — I met the people and it seemed natural."

Savir explained that at the end of the meeting with Dr. Freedom, the cardiologist offered to arrange to have Toronto's Herbie Fund pay for the hospital expenses.

The Canadian Shaare Zedek Foundation is paying the balance of the expenses. It has also presented checks to both the Herbie Fund and Sick Kids' cardiology department as a symbolic gesture of its appreciation of the care given to Ophir.

The Savirs were overwhelmed by the support and concern from Toronto's Jewish community. Among the many acts of kindness, were people "just stopping by to say hello." Some came bearing stuffed animals while others sent them. "We don't have to visit the zoo — we have our own."

As well, a kindergarten class at the Jewish Community Centre made get well cards and a nursery class at United Synagogue Day Schools, Bathurst Campus donated their Chanukah tzedakah to the family.

Savir said this outpouring of affection came as a surprise because in Israel, "We are educated that in the Diaspora there are Jews and Jewish communities ... they live their own lives and sometimes forget Israel. We find this isn't true.

"Toronto is a city full of Jews who have a warm community rich in Jewish life. It makes our heart warm to see the concern given from the heart."

Rabbi David Monson presented checks to Toronto's Herbie Fund and the Hospital for Sick Children's cardiology department on behalf of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation in appreciation of their support of Ophir Savir. The 19-month-old Israeli boy underwent heart surgery last month at Sick Kids. Participating in the presentation were (left to right) Operation Herbie chairman Gina Godfrey, Orit, Amnon and Ophir Savir, heart surgeon Dr. George Trusler, Monson and cardiology chief Dr. Robert Freedom. The monies donated by the foundation were from the fund established to aid the family during their 2-month stay in Toronto. [Graphic Artists photo]

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But, in the last few years, she comments, "people are dressing more formally. The baby-boomers in jeans and T-shirts have grown up. There's a general conservatism. Clothes are accessorized more formally, and there's more attention to detail, such as scarves, shoes — and hats."

As well, Orenstein adds, there's the Princess of Wales. "She has had an immense influence on young girls who are deciding to wear hats. She's so attractive and everything looks good on her."

Encouraged by the resurgence of interest in day and evening hats, Orenstein opened Edie Hats four years ago. Today, her Kitsilano store, with a workshop above, has the largest selection of hats in the city.

Apart from her own creations, she stocks eight other designers, with everything from machine-made simple straw hats to her famous hand-made evening confections of silk, satin, net and glittering rhinestones.

Orenstein's creations are worn across the country. "People know they can come here and get anything," she emphasizes. Out-of-town visitors to her store will order five or six hats and her mail usually includes small parcels containing pieces of fabric, a photograph of an outfit and the request to "make me something."

Much of her business is custom orders. Many Vancouver brides wanting something different come to her store. "One bride wore purple for her wedding. We made her a purple sequined hat, she even had her hair dyed purple, only the groom wore white," recalls Orenstein.

Many brides choose traditional picture hats, but narrow brimmed, elegant bowlers, trimmed with veiling and sprays of beads or pearls are becoming increasingly popular.

More members of the wedding party are wearing hats now, often featuring clusters of tiny satin rosebuds, a trademark of her bridal headwear.

Turbans, glittering and jeweled for evening and plain for day are increasingly popular, as is the fez, flattering to almost anyone with its clean, classic lines. "A leather fez, for the winter, is a knockout," Orenstein says. The short top hat, in a pastel shade, with a matching leather hat band "looks fabulous with faded denim."

Orenstein claims rules "don't apply to hats. They are an accessory and should be treated as such. People shouldn't take them too seriously. Sometimes you feel like wearing a hat and sometimes you won't."

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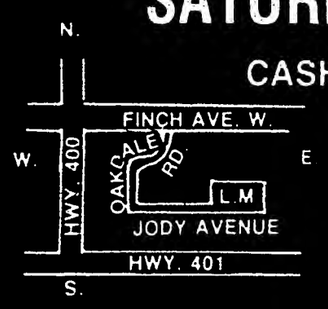

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Fashion

Pioneer of Canadian fashion misses haute couture

By
CHANTAL MOREAULT

EL CAJON, Ca. —

Today, Raoul-Jean Foure is a pert 84-year-old designer-in-retirement. In elegant retirement, one might add, since everything Foure ever did in his life was done elegantly.

Since 1969, his home base is the lovely town of El Cajon, Ca. From there he globetrots, visiting friends and former clients in Paris, Montreal, New York, Los Angeles and elsewhere.

Although fashion did not make him a wealthy man in any way, he is rich today from a lifetime of fascinating memories.

This pioneer of Canadian fashion first came to Canada from France shortly after marrying a pretty young Quebec socialite named Marguerite Mount.

In 1930, he opened what was probably the first (and one of the few-ever) Paris-style couture houses in this country.

At that time, there were only a handful of established couturieres catering to the fashion needs of Montreal's beautiful people, the best-remembered probably being Gaby Bernier and Madame Desmarais.

The French-born designer aimed at a similar clientele, but in a style that was possibly more elegant, certainly more grand and definitely more Parisienne.

Foure introduced Canadians to the concept of seasonal fashion presentations, using socialites as models since modelling did not exist as a profession at the time.

He also attempted to make an original fashion statement through his collections, rather than offer styles derivative of a Lucien Lelong, a Jacques Heim, a Jean Patou, a Schiaparelli, a Vionnet or a Worth — the great names of the French Couture in those pre-war years — as had been the custom until then.

Thanks largely to his wife's relations, Foure quickly gained access to the best of Montreal's society, acquiring not only a coterie of elegant friends but a sizeable clientele as well.

Freely mixing work and pleasure, the young couple lived and received clients in lovely home-salons located on Sherbrooke St., Crescent St., Cedar Ave., then McGregor Ave.

The '30s and the '40s were totally different times, of course.

Men always wore gloves to dance. All women of breeding had an innate sense of grace that meant that they always wore their clothes with elegance.

The Windsor Hotel was much more chic than the Ritz, in those days. Bridal celebrations held there were always elaborate affairs, and wedding parties consisted of at least a dozen attendants.

He recalls that era: "Before 1929, it seemed as if everybody, including secretaries and seamstresses, made piles of money on the stock exchange.

"Even after the crash, Canada's economy improved much more quickly than the U.S. And of course, afterwards, the war years were boom years. It was an incredible time to be a couturier."

The workmanship of the clothes turned out by Foure and his European petites mains (primarily Hungarian and Austrian; they numbered up to 20-22 in his heyday) was true haute couture — impeccably cut, perfectly tailored and entirely hand-finished, down to the very last French button hole.

Foure set off in 1930 on a glamorous career path that was to span nearly four decades.

In the process, he experienced the difficult transition from the genteel era of haute couture to the cruel age of ready-to-wear.

Foure attributes the near-demise of haute couture in Canada to Expo '67.

He explains: "I really felt it then — in the tizzy surrounding Expo — clients had many more opportunities to go out, therefore they needed more clothes, more quickly and less expensively. Better ready-to-wear really suited their new lifestyle better. And, of course, the clock cannot be turned back."

Faced with this, Foure chose to retire.

Today, he's pleased with the relative vitality of the Canadian fashion industry.

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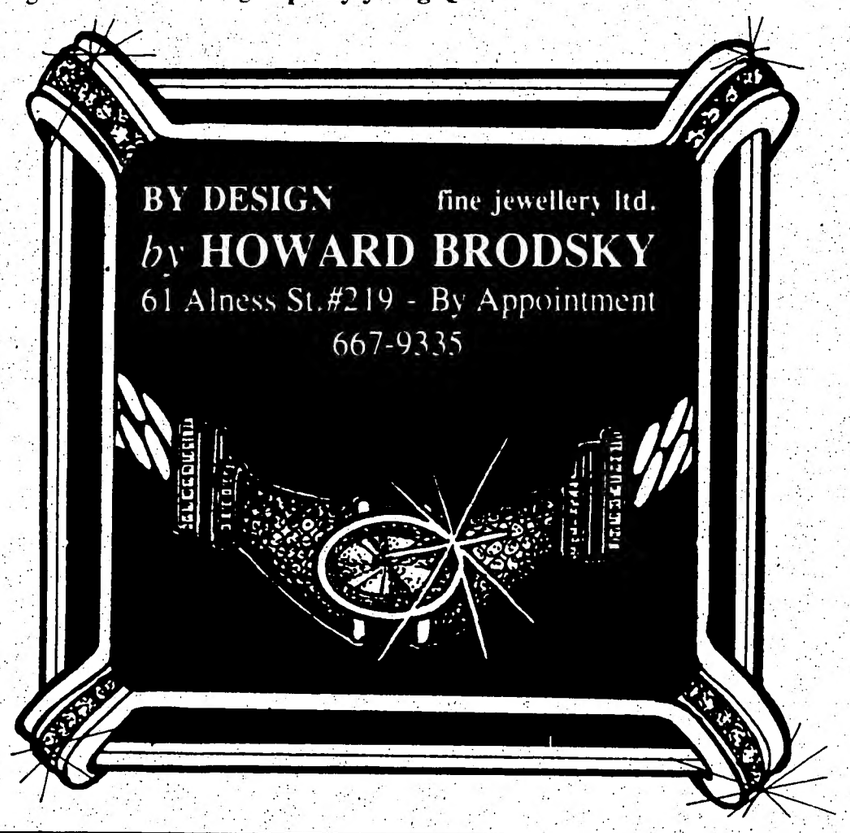

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Models show off two traditional Arab dresses embroidered in the style of Bethlehem and its environs, that are on exhibit at present at the Israel Museum, Jerusalem. (WZPS photo)

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Museum shows embroidery

By
HELENA FLUSFEDER

JERUSALEM —

A small, but fascinating exhibition tracing the history and development of Bethlehem embroidery is on display at the Israel Museum, Jerusalem.

Featuring a variety of Arab garments, including dresses and jackets with the basic embroidered chest panel, the exhibition describes and illustrates this special style of embroidery which evolved in Bethlehem and in the village of Beit Jallah and Beit Sahur between the mid 19th and mid 20th century.

The different stages in the development of Bethlehem embroidery are traced in the exhibition: from simple stitches to geometric motifs to intricate floral designs in silk thread and gilt and silver cord, applied onto garments made of cotton, silk, wool, felt and velvet.

The rich, multi-colored, striped cotton and velvet garments, attractively embroidered on the front panels, the sides of the cloth and on the sleeves, reflect the skill of this very beautiful craft which was only done by hand until the 1940s.

There is debate among scholars as to the origins of Bethlehem embroidery; some believe the style was influenced by Byzantine traditions, others by Ottoman.

What is clear, though, is that there was a direct connection between the beauty and richness of the embroidered clothes and the social status of the wearer.

The exhibition is based on the research of Ziva Amir, who worked as advisor to the department of ethnography at the Israel Museum for 16 years and spent much of her life collecting items from the culture of Israel's Arabs.

Luxury marks Mirabelli style

By
LORI SMITH

Easy, uncomplicated but luxurious garments that transcend today's styles are the signature of young Toronto designer, Franco Mirabelli.

Mirabelli, 26, is a graduate of the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City, and worked designing sportswear for Anne Klein and also for a number of Canadian manufacturers before establishing his own label and, in Toronto, his own stores (Portfolio).

He explains that he plays with the classic notion of fashion and uses only the best fabrics in his work. Coupled with his interest in good cut, his clothes have continuing appeal.

"I design for the educated customer. A woman who knows what she wants."

In his fall and winter 86 collection he used natural fibre fabrics such as crepe de chine, cool wool and gabardines unless it was impossible. He dismissed the close-fitting silhouette popularized by designers such as Azzedine Alaia and opted for clearly cut, comfortable shapes.

The collection's colors include mustards, mid-browns, fabrics touched with fuchsia or royal blue, black, and a number of prints, tweeds and checks. He used some knits and occasionally a menswear fabric such as houndstooth.

His sportswear line features a double-breasted jacket in black and white, fine houndstooth shown with a blouse in a larger houndstooth; a kimono-sleeved, oversized, one button jacket; a little princess blouse in a Prince of Wales tweed and a number of knit pieces in a turquoise, purple and blue fabric from Japan.

Other notable garments include a classic, military trenchcoat, in a number of colors, that falls to mid-calf; an oversized shirt in green cool wool; a one size jacket with simple roll-up sleeves in either black or metallic wool, and one of the season's most versatile pieces — a half-circle skirt in lightweight, black flannel.

His pants are fully lined and front pleated. One pair features two pleats and a highrise waist without a band. And his skirts range from full to straight.

He explains that he doesn't really do a holiday collection. But, he does do a few pieces for women who won't wear frilly ballgowns.

This group includes a black and gold lame oversized shirt; a Chanel-look suit with a boxy jacket and straight 33 inch skirt made in a black, gray and silver, tapestry patterned velveteen, and a 100% crepe de chine, full skirt and boxy, collarless shirt in black.

Franco Mirabelli designs are available at Portfolio in Toronto and better specialty stores in Canada and the United States.

Floral knit ensembles by Toronto designer Franco Mirabelli.

Designers' club to promote linen

MONTREAL —

The Maison du Lin, the France-based agency that promotes the use of linen, has thrown itself behind six Canadian designers in an effort to stir up more interest in the fabric, and in Canadian design.

Edwin Birch, Mariola Mayer, Jean-Claude Poitras, Alain Thomas, Nancy Young and Karen Gable (for Zapata) and Emily Zarb were asked to become Club Creation Canada, an off-shoot of Club Creation in France.

The Club is a group of designers who use linen and will participate in fashion shows for international buyers in Paris.

Both the federal and provincial governments agreed to work in association with the Maison in order to promote these Canadian fashions on the international market.

The Club Creation Canada fashions have been mostly top rate, and Birch and Mayer were standouts.

Birch showed his usual dramatic restraint in strikingly simple dresses and shouldery trench coats. He used crossdyed linens for shimmer in the dresses, with solids in the full, enveloping coats.

Mayer, part of the Miller Group, Toronto, showed vampy backless dresses with open lacing closures plus a coat contoured to the body to the waistline with a skirt falling in three swishy pieces.

Emily Zarb, noted for knits, does strange things with woven linens. Her group of little girlish jumpers looked like schoolyard wear, and were worn with thigh-high stockings and garters.

Jean-Claude Poitras showed crisp short skirts and long tapered jackets and trenches in moody colors and jacquard prints.

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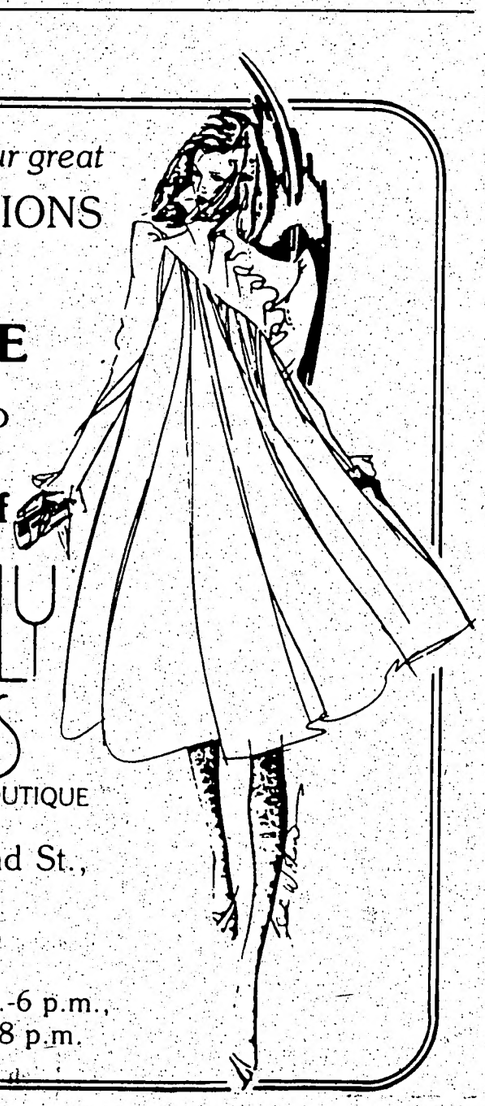

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58 prints from Roualt's Miserere series at AGO

Albert White Gallery: Group show — Moore, Picasso, Chagall and Miro. 80 Spadina Ave., 865-1021.

Alexander's Beau Monde Art Gallery: Work by Israeli artists Arie, Agam, Ebgi and Jenco. 37 Staffern Dr., unit 3, Concord. 738-1227.

Art Gallery of Ontario: *John Lyman Retrospective*, paintings and drawings to Feb. 22; *Roualt: Miserere*, a portfolio of 58 of his prints, opens Jan. 17; *Roger and Myra Davidson Collection*, 50 large works by significant contemporary artists, opens Jan. 17; *Alexander and John Robert Cozens*, 18th-century English landscape artists, opens Jan. 30. 317 Dundas St. W., 977-0414.

Bau-Xi Gallery: Large paintings by women artists: Nancy Hazelgrove, Sally Gregson, Carol Martyn. 340 Dundas St. W., 977-0600.

Bonnie Kagan Gallery: Large paintings by Peter Deacon, Hans Herold, Donna Wise and Fayge Fayerman. 80 Spadina Ave., suite 304. 364-6181.

Carmen Lamanna Gallery: New paintings by Joanne Tod. 840 Yonge St., 922-0410

Columbus Centre Art Gallery: *Jamaica — A Photographic Love Affair*, Photographs by Ray Chen to Jan. 30. 901 Lawrence Ave. W. 789-7011.

Evelyn Aimis Fine Art: Group show of Canadian and international artists: Amantea, Dine, Etrog, Eyre, Fischl, Graser, Hockney, Ladocha, Warhol, and Yoshikawa to Feb. 18. 14 Hazelton Ave., 961-0878.

First Impressions Gallery: Group show. 334 Dundas W., 591-8461.

Gallery 44: *Portraits*, An exhibition of photographers who have approached the genre of portraiture from varied points of view to Jan. 31. 109 Niagara St. 363-5187.

Gallery Moos: Imperial bronzes from the Palace Museum, Peking. 136 Yorkville., 922-0627.

Gallery One: Recent paintings by Christopher Broadhurst to Jan. 28. 121 Scollard St., 929-3103.

Garnet Press: Work by Julie Voyce to Feb. 21. 580 Richmond St. W. 366-5012.

George R. Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art: Pemanent collection includes Pre-Columbian pottery, English delftware, Continental and English porcelain and Italian majolica. 111 Queen's Park, 593-9300.

Glass Art Gallery: Gallery represents Canadian, American, European, Japanese and Australian glass artists. 21 Hazelton Ave., 968-1823.

Harbourfront Art Gallery: *Heatwave 11*, an exhibition to reveal the warmth of Toronto's winter, opens Jan. 16; Work by Toronto sculptor Judith Schwartz in the Sculpture Court. 235 Queen's Quay W., 869-8410.

Hollander York Gallery: Oils and watercolors by James Kierstead, opens Jan. 24. 120 Scollard St., 923-9275.

Isaacs Gallery: After 25 years at 832 Yonge St., the gallery is moving to new quarters in February. Temporary offices are at 9 Prince Arthur Ave., 923-7301.

Jane Corkin Gallery: Architectural photographs to Jan. 31; New works by Rick Zolkower to Jan. 31. 179 John St. 979-1980.

Justina M. Barnicke Gallery: *Drawn To The Boundaries*, Paper departures by Wendy Cain, Joyce Honsberger, Olga Philip, and Joanne Ross to Feb. 1; *Urban Landscape Themes*, Works on paper by Jill Livermore, opens Feb. 5. Hart House, University of Toronto, 978-2453.

Koffler Gallery: *American Folk Art: Expressions of a New Spirit*, to Jan. 30, organized by Museum of American Folk Art in New York. 4588 Bathurst St. 636-1880.

Leo Kamen Gallery: Tapestries by Tamara Jaworska, opens Jan. 17; Works on Paper by Victoria LeBlanc, opens Jan. 17. 80 Spadina Ave., 365-9515.

Market Gallery: *Face to Face with Toronto's History*, an exhibition of paintings, photographs and sculptures from the archives collection that examines the importance of portraiture as it relates to Toronto's history, opens Jan. 17. 95 Front St. E., 392-7604.

McMichael Canadian Collection: *Emily Carr: Native Portraits* to Jan. 18; *Maria Chapdelaine*, illustrations of the book by Clarence Gagnon, to Jan. 18; *The Romantic Landscape Now*, new works by nine contemporary artists based in Ontario, Quebec and Alberta, opens Jan. 25; Horatio Walker Retrospective, oil paintings, watercolors and sketeches, opens Feb. 1. In Kleinburg, 893-1121.

Oskar Asher Schmidt Museum: Jewish ceremonial art from the collection of John and Molly Pollock to May 1. Lipa Green Building, 4th floor, 4600 Bathurst St., 635-2883

Royal Ontario Museum: A retrospective of 75 paintings by Paul Peel to Feb. 1; *Value Versus Vision: Chinese Export and European Chinoiserie Textiles of the 18th and 19th Centuries*, 27 Chinese and European textile pieces, to February; *Buddhist and Hindu Stone Sculptures of South Asia*, 12 sculptures dating from the second to the 10th century; *20th Century Ceramics*, work by Picasso, Leach, Rie and New Brunswick potters Kjeld and Erica Deichmann; *Sculpture from the South Asian Collection*, five recent acquisitions from the Far Eastern department. 100 Queen's Park Cres., 586-5551/2/3.

S.L. Simpson Gallery: Installation by David Tomas to Jan. 28. 515 Queen St. W., 362-3738.

Studio Raab: Bronze sculptures and interior designs by Ernie Raab. 11 Bentworth Ave., 785-3417.

Toronto Sculpture Garden: New work by Stacey Spiegel through next April. 115 King St. E. 485-9658.

Waddington & Shiell Galleries: Gallery Artists. 33 Hazelton Ave. 925-2461.

Yaneff Gallery: Early and contemporary Canadian paintings. 19th and 20th century French and English posters, drawings and graphics. Eskimo and primitive African sculpture. 119 Isabella St., 924-6677.

Ydessa Gallery: Work by Jeff Wall to Feb. 28. 334 Queen St. W., 593-1100.

York University Art Gallery: *The Book of the Seven Lagoons*, an environmental project by Helen Mayer Harrison and Newton Harrison. Ross Bldg. room N-145, 4700 Keele St., 736-5169.

New works on paper by Victoria Leblanc are on show at the Leo Kamen Gallery until Feb. 11. Seen here is In The Absence of Alters.

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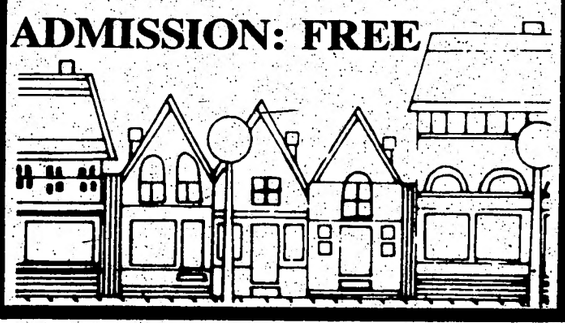

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Arts

The Morning After: Film of panache, not pretension

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The morning after the night before, Alex Sternbergen (Jane Fonda), a failed actress, wakes up to a nasty surprise.

The man beside her, Bobby Korshack (Geoffrey Scott), the publisher of sleazy girlie magazines, is stone dead, a dagger in his heart.

Much to her horror, Alex — an alcoholic given to nightly drinking binges and blackouts — can't figure out whether she's murdered Korshack or whether she's been set up.

In due course, in Sidney Lumet's new romantic thriller, *The Morning After*, she gets to the bottom of the conundrum, but not without the help of Turner Kendall (Jeff Bridges), an ex-cop.

The Morning After, **now playing at Famous Players theatres, is a slick, fast-moving and reasonably suspenseful film with terrific performances from Fonda and Bridges.**

At 49, Fonda is an alluring presence who can swiftly shift from mood to mood without grinding gears. In her role as Alex Sternbergen (alias Viveca Van Loren), she displays an emotional depth of such magnitude that it may yet win her the Academy Award.

She is an actress down on her luck, an aging but still attractive woman whose slender, well-tuned body would be the envy of anyone. Separated from her husband, Jackie (Raul Julia), a prosperous hairdresser with social pretensions, she lives in a tacky apartment in Los Angeles, her fridge empty except for two frozen tacos, a bottle of olives, 6 jars of mayonnaise and a jug of Thunderbird wine, her better days now just a fond memory.

"They were grooming me to be the 'new' Vera Miles — they were grooming me to replace somebody nobody knew was missing," she tells Turner, a sardonic note in her inimitable voice.

Turner is probably the last person on earth she expected to be confiding in, an amiable racist whose notions about Blacks, Hispanics and Jews leaves something to be desired. His casual views of humanity do not thrill her ("What are you," she asks him, "the Klan anthropologist?") but she really has no one else to turn to after she wakes up next to blood-stained Korshack.

In panic, she phones Jackie, who advises her to go to the police. But instead of turning herself in, she drives to the airport in her 1963 Mercedes, intending to abscond to San Francisco. Unable to purchase a ticket due to the holiday rush, she runs into Turner in the parking lot, striking up what later develops into an unconventional relationship with him.

Turner, who is played by Bridges with consummate, effortless skill, is a divorced former policeman who lives in the back of a garage with his 1956 Chevrolet convertible, who buys books he doesn't read and who likes to fix things people have no use for anymore.

For reasons that are sometimes hard to fathom, he takes a shine to Alex, and, with the assistance of a Los Angeles detective, Sgt. Herb Greenbaum (Richard Foronjy), he solves the mystery of Korshack's violent death.

A viewer will have no difficulty determining who the villain is, but no matter. *The Morning After*, which is distinguished by James Hicks' clever, bitchy dialogue, is an entertaining film of no pretensions and a lot of panache.

Magic an enchanting, unconventional show

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

"Humiliation!" exclaimed emcee Mike Carbone at the beginning of the show. "That's all magic is, folks. Here's a coin. Hey presto, it's vanished! Once more you're fooled. You go home feeling like a jerk."

Well, not quite.

You're certainly fooled by the Toronto sleight-of-hand troupers performing in *A Little Night Magic*. They're currently celebrating their third year of legerdemain mixed with laughs at Harper's Dinner Theatre, 38 Lombard St., 863-6223.

But you certainly don't go home feeling like a humiliated nebish. On the contrary, you're consistently entertained by this gaggle of madcap illusionists who marinade their vanishing rabbits and disappearing doves with two hours of beguiling slapstick comedy.

A lot of the fun is provided by volunteers from the audience who participate in the abracadabra trickery.

Carbone, for instance, a smooth-tongued graduate of Yuk-Yuk's Komedy Kabaret, gets his biggest bellylaughs by tucking two handkerchiefs down a guest's blouse — then whipping them out with a huge bra flapping between them.

Dick Joiner, a maniacal Cockney with a devilish laugh, also squeezes laughs out of the old woman-sawed-into-slices act. The innocent lady who dared to volunteer was hustled into a cabinet, which was promptly rammed through with swords and saw blades, and emerged intact, of course, with a fixed grin and an ashen face.

Wes Zaharuk intersperses a funny running patter of gags in his truly remarkable juggling act. Among other things, he juggled flaming torches, machetes and pingpong balls. When he winds up catching a ball at the end of his nose, he takes his deserved bow, modestly quipping, "So much talent — and still in Canada."

A tall, stringy, bearded 38-year-old wizard, who performs under the East Indian stage name of Bishwambhar Dass (meaning "Servant of God"), doesn't speak a word. But his nimble fingers are poetry in action. He plucks out lighted candles and glasses of wine from midair. He whisks four doves out of soup tureens, puts them into a cage, and yanks out an enormous white rabbit.

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Arts

Forrester, Golani, Parr, Campbell to perform

All-star cast scheduled for Ezrath Nashim benefit

music

By RICK KARDONNE

An all-star cast of classical music, consisting of Maureen Forrester, Rivka Golani, Patricia Parr and James Campbell, will perform at Beth Tzedec Feb. 4 in a benefit concert for the Ezrath Nashim Centre in Jerusalem's Alzheimer's disease research centre.

Contralto Maureen Forrester has been heard by audiences on five continents as distinguished soloist with virtually every major orchestra in the world.

Her 1985-86 season included appearances with the Toronto Symphony, Cleveland Symphony, Cincinatti Symphony as well as opera and light opera performances.

The Montreal-born Forrester has been honorary chairman of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation as well as chairman of the Canada Council. She has conducted master classes in Israel and has been one of North America's most respected promoters of Israel's cultural scene.

Israel-born violist Rivka Golani is likewise renowned as a star of her instrument. Besides her worldwide touring schedule with leading orchestras in the classical repertoire, Golani had over 40 contemporary works composed especially for her by leading modern composers. She is credited with having helped restore the viola as a major vehicle for musical expression.

Toronto-born Patricia Parr's abilities as a chamber music artist have become widely known as a result of her numerous European appearances as well as with the Guarneri String Quartet. A highly acclaimed recording on Arbor Discs of Bartok and Franck sonatas with violinist Lorand Fenyeves is now available.

Clarinetist James Campbell was asked two years ago to replace the late Benny Goodman in an appearance with the Amadeus Quartet in Pasadena. The Los Angeles Times wrote: "Campbell is an extraordinary clarinetist. His creamy, bright sound and ample vibrato remind one of some British players, but his superb control, smooth technique and immediate phrasing mark the Canadian as an international virtuoso."

In short, this promises to be a most extraordinary concert. Not surprisingly, tickets are selling very fast, so for those who are interested, one is advised to call Shula Robin at 630-4261.

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Vladimir Ashkenazy conducts the Royal Philharmonic at Roy Thomson Hall Jan. 25. For further information call 593-7769.

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Maureen Forrester

Benyamin Gal-Ed has recently been appointed to head the Israel branch of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation and the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation. Himself the winner of an AICF scholarship on the flute, Gal-Ed leaves a high military position to assume his new job.

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Canadian Showcase, a classical music program featuring Canadian ensembles, which will be syndicated across Canada via CFMX-FM of Cobourg, Ont., as flagship and the BN Satellite Network as distributor-syndicator.

This is a major leap forward for Canada's only commercial classical music radio station whose president is Montreal-born Toronto-based Martin Rosenthal.

Stern, Penderecki honored

Pair to share 87 Wolf Prize

JERUSALEM —

Two luminaries of world music from the United States and Poland were named recipients of the 1987 Wolf Prize in Music in a recent announcement by Israeli Education and Culture Minister Yitzhak Navon, who is chairman of the Wolf Foundation Council.

Violinist and educator Isaac Stern and composer Krzysztof Penderecki, rector of the Cracow Academy of Music, will share the $100,000 award. Penderecki is the first citizen of Poland to be honored by the foundation.

$100,000 award

The Wolf Prizes for 1987 will be presented by the President of Israel next May at the Knesset in Jerusalem.

The Israel-based foundation makes six awards each year for achievements in science and the arts. The previous Wolf Arts Prize in Music, in 1982, was shared by the Israeli composer Josef Tal, Vladimir Horowitz, U.S., and Olivier Messiaen of France, while last year's arts prize recipient was the American painter Jasper Johns.

Isaac Stern was hailed by the Wolf jury as, ". . . an eminent musician, inspiring artist and educator, whose art transcends the boundaries of music and is universally recognized as a great humanistic contribution to society."

The Polish composer and conductor Krzysztof Penderecki was cited by the international Wolf Prize committee for his innovations in contemporary music.

"Through his themes he tries to sensitize the listener to concern for humanism, communication and tolerance and, possibly, for a cultural religiosity in the ecumenical sense," the committee said.

Born 1920 in Russia, Isaac Stern was raised in San Francisco where he made his debut at the age of 14. Ever since, "he has been one of the most successful violinists of this century." His films and TV presentations include the Academy Award-winning From Mao to Mozart — Isaac Stern in China. He has recently been named by CBS Records as its first "Artist Laureate."

Stern has also been one of the artists who has dynamically influenced the development of music in Israel, as well as in the United States, it was noted.

In New York Stern organized a group to save Carnegie Hall in 1960 and became president of the Carnegie Hall Corp. He also helped establish the National Endowment for the Arts sponsored by the United States government. He is a founder of the Jerusalem Music Centre, and chairman of the board of the American-Israel Cultural Foundation.

Krzysztof Penderecki, born 1933 in Poland, has gained world fame as a composer for his orchestral and vocal works, soloist and chamber music compositions, oratories and operas. Some of these include: Threnody for the Victims of Hiroshima, St. Luke's Passion, In Memory of Auschwitz, The Death Brigade, and Devils of Loudun.

Penderecki coincidentally visited Israel recently to conduct several concerts of his work with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

He began to attract wide attention in 1960 for his advanced vocal and instrumental experiments in sound while his scoring, in particular for strings, percussions and voices, is cited as being "often adventurous and always apt to some dramatic scheme."

Laurence honored by BB Women in 76

TORONTO —

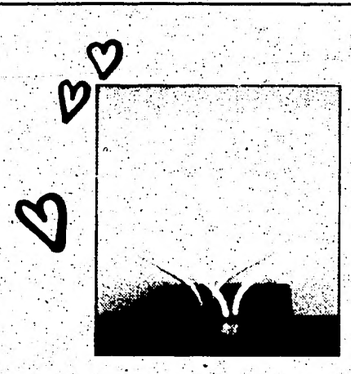
Renowned Canadian author Margaret Laurence who died recently, was named Woman of the Year for 1976 by B'nai B'rith Women's Council of Toronto.

The novelist who wrote such works as The Stone Angel, A Jest of God and The Diviners, received the award "in recognition of her contribution towards the advancement of Canadian society, and for her tireless efforts in devoting her talents towards a richer quality of life for humanity."

Then Woman of the Year award chairman, Gloria Clamen, said meeting Laurence was "like meeting an old friend."

During her speech at the presentation ceremony, Clamen told Laurence: "You are a very special person who has touched us through your understanding of what we as B'nai B'rith Women represent and strive for."

Laurence died at 60 of cancer.



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"Utterly delightful stage adaptation"

Pride and Prejudice makes better play than novel

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

I never thought I'd live to see the day when a contemporary British playwright would be able to "improve" a novel by Jane Austen.

Yet that's precisely what David Pownall has done in his utterly delightful stage adaptation of *Pride And Prejudice*, playing at the Royal Alexandra Theatre until Feb. 14.

The Jane Austen purists may whinny and wail that Pownall has desecrated her 1813 comedy of manners.

Austen, of course, was a miniaturist, whose novels satirized the self-contained world of provincial ladies and gentlemen, and their intense snobbery and infighting over the delicate business of husband hunting for marriageable daughters.

In his 2½-hour stage adaptation — writing about one third of the dialogue — Pownall has broadened the canvas and some of the characterizations to the point of near caricature.

Happily, though, he has pointed up rather than butchered Austen's clear-eyed, economic point of view that well-born women in that period were tarted up and sold like real estate in commercial transactions known as marriages.

Douglas Campbell and Jennifer Phipps as the parents of a trio of unwed daughters help make Pride And Prejudice sparkle at the Royal Alexandra Theatre.

In the process, Pownall has transformed Austen's small-scale satire of life in a Hampshire village into a 19th-century *Dynasty* — with charm and stylish wit.

His happiest stage device is the alteration he has made in the role of Mr. Bennet, the pater familias of three unmarried daughters (reduced from the novel's five girls).

As portrayed by actor Edmund Gwenn in the 1940 Hollywood movie scripted by Aldous Huxley, he was the diffident, easygoing, twinkly-eyed father much put upon by his bullying wife who is grimly determined to marry off their daughters.

Here he becomes the narrator of the play. As portrayed by Douglas Campbell (in a nicely balanced performance, free of that actor's usual tendency to tear a passion into titters), he is a droll, worldly and erudite wit, aware of the practicalities of life.

His wife (somewhat overacted by Jennifer Phipps as a flighty, simpering matchmaker) tries to admonish him with the line: "Matrimony, Mr. Bennet, is a *serious* business!"

He puts things in proportion with his riposte: "Mating is not a polite business, Mrs. Bennet. It is a function of nature."

The mainspring of the plot is the blow-hot, blow-cold romance between their outspoken daughter, Elizabeth, who harbors a prejudice against her prideful suitor, Mr. D'Arcy.

As depicted by Toronto actress Catherine Barroll, she is a tiny, spunky, thoroughly captivating fireball, far more interesting than Greer Garson's limpid portrayal in the movie.

Karl Pruner, a graduate of the Stratford Festival, has the stature and good looks to make a commanding Mr. D'Arcy. Unfortunately, though, on opening night at least, he was stiff and distant in the role, lacking the smoldering arrogance that Laurence Olivier gave to the part in the movie.

As compensation, the rest of the cast acquit themselves beautifully in bravura performances.

Outstanding in their villainous roles were Barbara Hamilton as the fire-breathing snob, Lady Catherine (quite the equal of Edna May Oliver as a condescender in the movie) and Wayne Robson as the mincing, sanctimonious Rev. Collins (infinitely more hateful a hypocrite than Melville Cooper in the movie).

British director Bill Pryde has staged the production with imagination and *eclat* as though it were a minuet in a Sheridan Restoration comedy. Indeed, some of the most scintillating exchanges of dialogue are played out while the characters are dancing a quadrille.

The set by designer Popy Mitchell consists of eight translucent screens, cunningly shifted on a revolving stage to indicate a drawing room, a ballroom or a country garden.

And even lighting designer Mick Hughes deserves to take a bow. I gasped with admiration at one scene where the major characters are silhouetted in the semi-darkness against the screens, exactly like the tinted "silhouettes" that served as photographs in the period.

Altogether, despite a couple of minor flaws, it's sparkling comedy of mores and manners that Jane Austen herself would enjoy if she were alive today.

British spy thriller catches the viewer with its suspense

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The British press loves a juicy scandal and none is as succulent as one that involves sex, politics and espionage.

Defence of the Realm, a British spy thriller, is based on these solid pillars of British journalism.

David Drury's competently-made film, now playing at the Carlton, starts off rather slowly, much like a snowball rolling down a steep hill, but gains momentum as it gathers size and speed.

By the time the denouement is at hand, a viewer is trapped by the suspense and is yearning for relief in the form of answers.

They emerge in dribs and drabs, but some of the questions remain unanswered. Which is fine. A suspense picture worthy of the name should leave something to the imagination.

A prominent left-wing member of Parliament with previous Communist Party affiliations is photographed leaving the home of a prostitute. A few minutes after he leaves, another customer arrives. The man is East Germany's military attache in London.

An intrepid reporter, Nick Mullen (Gabriel Byrne), puts one and one together and reaches the rather unsurprising conclusion that a Profumo-like scandal is in the offing. Eager to beat the competition and increase circulation, his editors encourage him to dig deeper for dirt. And an anonymous telephone source eggs him on.

Mullen's sodden, washed-up colleague, Vernon Bayliss (Denholm Elliott), remains unimpressed by his leads and warns him to tread carefully. "Don't let the facts get in the way of a good story," he says with heavy sarcasm.

But Mullen, who thinks he can tell the difference between a legitimate and an illegitimate story, won't listen: When a Fleet Street reporter is hot on the trail for blood, he doesn't stop to consider that he may be getting a bum steer.

Obsessed by the story, Mullen gets caught up in a web of deceit and intrigue whose filaments dangle into Britain's secret service, an unsolved hit-and-run accident and an American air force base in eastern Britain.

Gabriel Byrne is pretty convincing as Mullen. Denholm Elliott's knack for portraying bleak, dead-end characters is nothing short of remarkable.

Defence of the Realm can't be classified as superior cinema. But it works fairly well most of the time, and that is more than a lot of other films can lay claim to.

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Book's list provides invitation to Jewish knowledge

The Book of Jewish Books, by Ruth S. Frank and William Wollheim. Fitzhenry and Whiteside, $15.95 (paperbound).

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

Of the making of book lists there is no end. The practice is probably as old as writing itself. Who knows, some literary citizen of ancient Babylon undoubtedly listed the 10 best clay tablets of 1987 BCE.

Hundreds of such lists have been published — some whimsical, some naive, some painfully serious. At one time or another almost every literate person has played the game, "What books would you take with you if shipwrecked on a desert island?" or "If all the books in the world were burning which would you snatch from the flames?"

Such lists are valuable, because they highlight worthy and notable books from the Niagara of volumes published annually; not to speak of the countless books that repose quietly in a multitude of libraries and book shops.

Jews, to an extent unequalled among other peoples, have been immersed in books. Centuries before the modern concept of adult education, Jews regarded it as a religious duty to gather for periodic study. An illiterate Jew, even in the dark ages, was a contradiction in terms.

The historian Cecil Roth indicates that from the earliest times the Jew and the book were inseparable. "He copied books. He owned books. He patronized literature . . . thus even in the most soul-destroying period of oppression, it might be assumed that almost every ghetto Jew, however humble his circumstances and however lowly his calling, was likely to have his modest library. A book was not to him, as to his neighbor, an object of veneration, of mystery, of distrust. It was a sheer necessity of everyday life."

The Book of Jewish Books is a guide as well as an invitation to Jewish knowledge. Intended for the general reader it provides a treasure trove of titles and a brief incisive description for each. Twelve chapters deal with books about the Bible, history, Holocaust, Israel and Zionism, Jewish thought, literature and the arts, women, and children's literature.

Each chapter begins with an introduction to the subject by an expert in the field and is replete with bibliographical information — a unique distillation of information about Jewish books and their authors.

In her introduction, Blu Greenberg points out that more books on Jewish subjects have been published in the last 10 years than in any previous decade in the last two centuries. We are in the midst of an unprecedented cultural renaissance that is made possible by the inexpensive paperback and a generation of educated Jews who want to know more about themselves and every aspect of their background and history.

The only Canadian book I could find mentioned is *None is Too Many* by Irving Abella and Harold Troper. Alas, there is nothing by Adele Wiseman, Mordecai Richler, A. M. Klein, Irving Layton or Leonard Cohen.

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Play's plotless bafflegab bores

By FRANK RASKY

Susan Cooyne (left) as Lemon and Clare Coulter as Aunt Dan co-star in the polemical play, Aunt Day and Lemon.

TORONTO — *Aunt Dan And Lemon* (playing until Feb. 8 at the Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman Ave., 531-1827) has achieved an extraordinary amount of publicity among intellectuals as a controversial but profoundly significant drama.

When it was produced on Broadway in 1985, Newsweek hailed it as "a play that tells more about the way we live than any in years." And Time Magazine found it "a verbal time bomb."

This reviewer found it a windy and pretentious play, which is not only truly obscene but truly boring.

It's obscene, not on sexual grounds, but in the sense that its chief protagonist delivers an immoral, anti-humanitarian message. She rationalizes the killing of the Jews in the Holocaust ovens as a measure understandably undertaken by the Nazis to preserve their "way of life."

After all, she argues, the Europeans killed the North American Indians to maintain the white man's cultural way of life. So why blame Hitler for upholding the Aryan point of view?

To be sure, the character who conveys this twisted piece of illogic is not presented in a flattering light. Bearing the nickname of Lemon, she is a reclusive, twittery, upper-class English woman in her 30s, living alone in her London flat and narrating in retrospect how she managed to reach her conclusions.

Her major influence has been her Aunt Lemon, an eccentric American professor at Oxford University with whom she has had a semi-lesbian relationship.

Aunt Dan, an over-intellectualized academic with a craving for power, is depicted as having a secret passion for Henry Kissinger. She argues endlessly how right Kissinger was to kill helpless Cambodians — an unpleasant task which was necessary to enforce his government's foreign policy.

Other characters flit briefly on the stage. They are Aunt Dan's friends, the mindless, smart set sophisticates of London, apparently the symbols of a decadent culture where money counts more than morality.

This is supposition on my part, because I found them irrelevant in what seemed like a maundering, interminable, plotless two hours of bafflegab — without an intermission yet!

Wallace Shawn, the American author of this polemical talk marathon, seems to have a mania for editorializing that masquerades as drama. He is the co-author and co-star of the 2-character conversational film, *My Dinner With Andre*.

Evidently he saw himself here as a Marcel Proust writing a theatrical *Remembrance Of Things Past*, for he is a Harvard graduate who studied at Oxford. But he is no Proust, and as far as I am concerned, he is no dramatist.

The only thing that kept me awake during all the tedious talk onstage was the fine acting of Clare Coulter as Aunt Dan and Susan Coyne as Lemon, whose talents were wasted in this morass of verbiage.

Despite what Time Magazine claims, I found it a verbal time bomb that fizzles . . . and fizzles . . . and fizzles.

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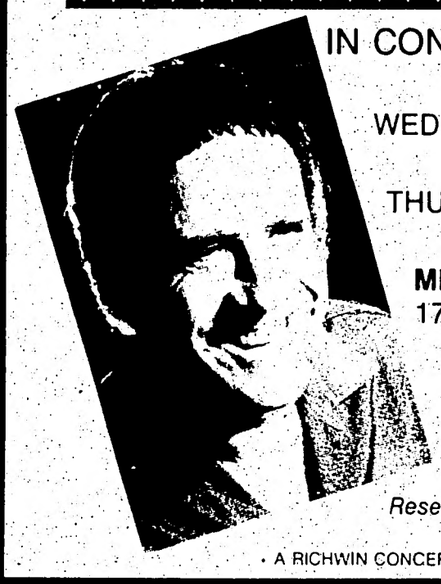
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By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

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Canada is represented by the Chateau Frontenac; China by a pagoda; Morocco by a walled compound and minaret; France by the Eiffel Tower; Britain by a rustic village street scene; Mexico by a pyramid; Germany by Gothic architecture; Italy by a piazza; Japan by a graceful rock garden, and America by a dazzling white colonial building.

You can spend hours in *World Showcase*, watching short films that give you a tantalizing taste of a nation, browsing around exhibits, shopping for knicknacks or sampling food ranging from fettucine al'Alfredo to hamburgers.

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World of Motion takes you on an incredibly long trip, from the discovery of the wheel and animal transportation to the advent of the automobile.

Journey into Imagination is a dreamy exhibit through man's creative process. The newest feature, *Captain EO*, is a 3-D 17-minute musical film presented by George Lucas (of *Star Wars* fame), directed by Francis Ford Coppola and starring Michael Jackson. But *Captain EO*, for all its flash, is nothing more than a sophisticated rock video.

This traveler enjoyed *Listen to the Land* immensely. You're taken on a cruise into different climatic zones, from a tropical jungle to a desert, and then you're suddenly in a "controlled environment garden" where experimental crops are grown and fish are bred.

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A sea full of fish attracts visitors to Pensacola

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

PENSACOLA, Fla. —

You can loll on the sand beaches of this town on the Gulf of Mexico in between tracing its history since the first Spaniards landed here in 1559, looking for the city of gold — which they haven't found yet hereabouts. Since that time the region has lived under Spanish, French and British occupation, for a time under the Confederacy of the southern slave-holding states, and since the 1860s as part of the United States.

Pensacola was known to the Indians long before the Spanish came as an area where the sea abounded with good eating fish. Today it is noted for the abundance of blue and white marlin off its coast, for sailfish, tuna and dolphin, barracuda and mackerel — a major reason it is popular with northern vacationers.

Pensacola has been a base for naval aviators since 1914. There is a Naval Aviation Museum here open to the public. At the air base precision aircraft teams train and from time to time U.S. aircraft carriers come into port and the ships are open for public inspection.

Not far away near Fort Walton Beach, is Eglin Air Force base, the largest in the United States, where this travel reporter some years ago had a preview of new strategic military aviation techniques.

Pensacola has numerous motels and small hotels not far from the beach, has numerous party boats to take out groups of fishing enthusiasts for the day, is popular for sailing races and water-skiing, has a restored 18th and 19th century district about Seville Square, a road-going tour train and sightseeing boat tours of its beaches.

Also along the coast is Panama City, a resort community with amusement parks, an important aquarium with marine life performances, a wild animal park with thrill rides, a zoo with one of the largest reptile parks containing poisonous snakes and alligators, and an observation tower for a view of the entire area's beach region.

There are boat tours to Shell Island off shore, where seashell collectors can find an abundance of shells brought up with the tides.

Inland is the Florida state capital, Tallahassee, where the state legislature, the State Capitol, is open for public visits. There is a Junior Museum of pioneer farm exhibits and nature trail wildlife.

What is believed the deepest natural spring in the world is Wakulla Springs with glass-bottom boats for looking far down at the marine life in the clear water.

The city has an Old South look with pre-Civil War mansions and giant oak trees festooned with Spanish moss. One of the sights is the Maclay State Gardens, 308 acres of pools, formal flower arrangements and a walk lined with 12-foot high camellias. The gardens are open all winter.

Farther east through hardwood swamps, peach orchards and pasture lands is the famed Suwannee River, not far south of the Georgia-Florida boundary. At White Springs is the Stephen Foster Museum, one of a number of memorials to the songwriter to be found in the southern United States. It has lifelike dioramas and carillon concerts daily.

The story is that Foster never even saw the Suwannee River, picking its name for its sound.

There are folk festivals held here in spring and fall, named after some of Foster's poems.

This part of Florida has a number of state parks. Fort Gadsden Historical Site at Apalachicola is a 76-acre park where there used to be a British fort that was destroyed in 1816 by U.S. forces and later rebuilt. Near here also is the John Gorrie Museum to the inventor of the first ice-making machine, and St. George Island State Park with beach facilities on the long thin island in the Gulf of Mexico.

Florida Caverns at Marianna near the Florida-Georgia state line, is an area of limestone caves with stalactites and stalagmites, nature trails and a golf course.

Most of the state's parks in this area are gardens with nature trails, springs, waterfalls and local museums. There is good fishing on inland streams and lakes for largemouth bass, while along the coast inshore grass flats are productive of red fish, speckled trout and Spanish mackerel.

There are synagogues in Pensacola, Conservative B'nai Israel, at 9th Ave. and Mallory St., and a Reform temple Beth El, at 800 North Palafox St.

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Concerts popular in Miami

Temple helps improve cultural life

By
ROSE KLEINER

MIAMI —

Miami's cultural life has shown steady improvement over the past few years. This is due in great part to the tireless efforts of persons such as Judy Drucker of Temple Beth Sholom, and to the support of businesses and professional groups within the city.

Foremost on the musical scene this winter is the Great Artist Series of concerts at Temple Beth Sholom. Initiated by Judy Drucker, now temple cultural director, the series became so popular that it had to move its concerts from the temple into the spacious Miami Beach Theatre of the Performing Arts.

Yitzhak Perlman will perform there on Feb. 19. On Feb. 25 the Warsaw Philharmonic, with pianist Misha Dichter, will play Pederecki and Rachmaninoff. Lorin Maazel will conduct the National Orchestra of France on March 3. The program includes Dvorak, Mussorgsky and Ravel.

On April 9 Bloch's Sacred Service (Avodath Hakodesh) will be presented with Robert Merrill as guest artist. For ticket information contact Temple Beth Sholom at 532-3491.

Another fine series sponsored by the temple are the Sundays at 4 concerts. The temple is walking distance from the Fontainebleau Hilton, and from many of the kosher hotels on the beach. Concerts start at 4 p.m.

The March 22 concert will feature Israel's Yuval Trio. Nava Perlman will give a piano recital on March 29. The daughter of Yitzhak and Toby Perlman, she has played with several orchestras. The season will end on April 5 with South Korean pianist Ju Hee Suh, who has performed under the direction of such conductors as Zubin Mehta and Yehudi Menuhin.

A Snowbird Special for culture lovers is available from Miami Beach's Community Concert Series. Performances include the New York City Opera Quartet on March 4, the Pittsburgh Ballet on March 31, and Giora Feidman's Klezmer trio, April 8. Concerts are at the Miami Beach Theater of Performing Arts (538-2121).

Also scheduled at this theatre is guitarist Andre Segovia on April 4.

For more musical fare, this time at the Dade County Auditorium (532-2207) in Miami, there is the Prestige Series of the Concert Association of Greater Miami, whose president, again, is Judy Drucker. They will present the Frankfurt Radio Symphony, with Eliahu Inbal as conductor, on February 18. A program of Blacher, Prokofiev and Beethoven is planned. Vivaldi and Mahler will be heard on Feb. 23, and Tchaikovsky, Mozart and Bizet on March 24.

Those who enjoy opera can see Joan Sutherland at the beautiful Gusman Center on Feb. 5. The Opera Guild will present Salome (Feb. 17), Hamlet (March 17), and Aida (April 15) at the War Memorial Auditorium, Fort Lauderdale (566-9913), during its 43rd season of grand opera. Die Fledermaus can be seen, March 6 and 8, at the Palm Beach Opera (833-7888).

Lovers of ballet and other forms of dance can look forward to several different programs in Miami this winter.

Bach in Three Movements, a ballet commissioned by a Miami law firm, will be performed at Broward's Baily Hall, Fort Lauderdale, on Jan. 30 and 31, and Feb. 1. Included in the same program will be two pieces by Balanchine-Tarantella, to the music of Gottschalk, and Square Dance, to the music of Vivaldi. The Bach piece was commissioned by the law firm, Steel, Hector and Davis. Tarantella was underwritten by Alamo Rent-A-Car.

The American Ballet Theater, in its 7th season on Miami Beach, is being sponsored by Temple Beth Sholom (532-3491). On Jan. 29 it will premiere a piece called, "Enough Said." La Sylphide will be performed on Jan. 31.

The three dance performances at the Gusman Center are — Dave Brubeck and the Murray Louis Dance Theater (Feb. 26), the Hubbard Street Dance Company (April 3), and the Ballet Folklorico de Mexico (April 18).

Too many plays will be showing this winter to list here. For information about the plays at the Forman Theater call 940-5903. Among the Broadway plays at the Parker Theater, Fort Lauderdale (764-0700) will be I'm Not Rappaport (Feb. 24 to March 15) with the original Broadway cast (Judd Hirsch and Cleavon Little), and Social Security (March 17 to April 5).

Anne Murray, Liza Minelli and A Chorus Line will take their turn at the Sunrise Theater, Fort Lauderdale between Feb. 20 and April 12. For more details call 945-3043.

Shalom 87, a musical review from Israel, will be seen in Miami Beach Feb. 21 to 24. For information call 673-7302. The Gusman Center will present Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat on March 4.

Synagogue lectures in Miami are open to visitors. Most notable, again, is the lecture series at Temple Beth Sholom. Susannah Heschel will speak there on Feb. 15, and Eli Wiesel on Feb. 21. William Buckley Jr. will speak at Temple Emanu-El (538-2503) on April 1.

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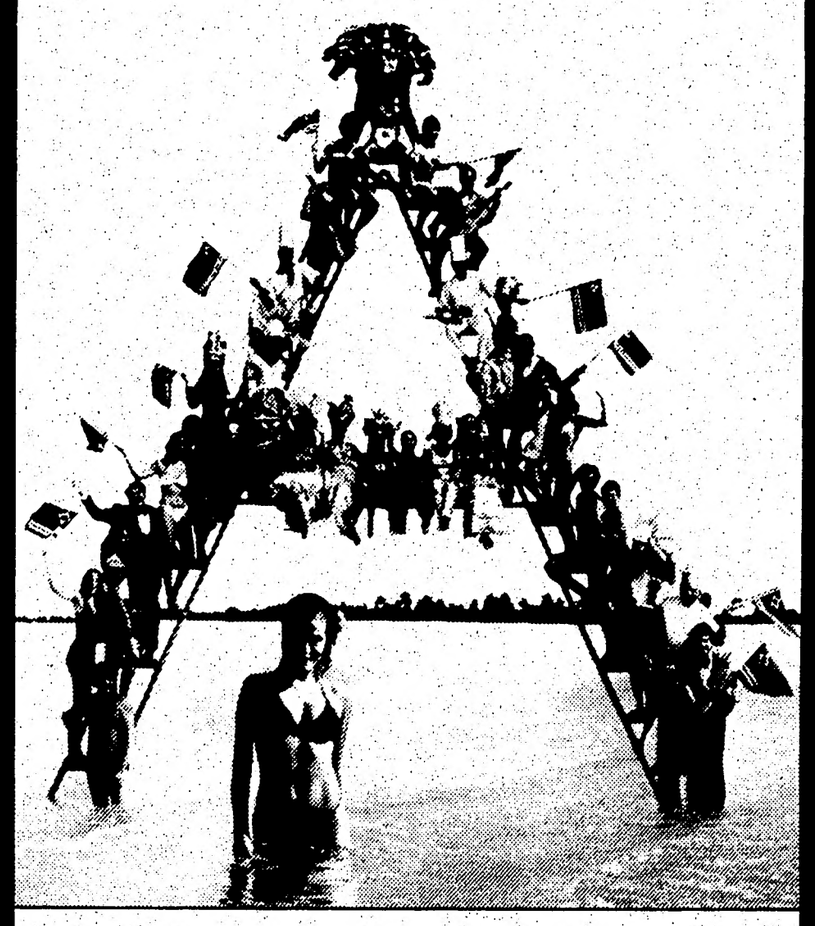

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Backstage in London provides unique experience

By
ARIELA DANIEL

TORONTO —

Backstage in London is unusual in that it is at once a course and a tour — but it is a tour like no other. Connected with two schools, the University of Toronto and City University in London, it is not heavily academic (there are no tests, books, or homework, and the idea is to have fun while learning), but neither is it simply a showtour. Between the two lies the balance which makes Backstage in London unique.

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They will learn about the inner workings of musical theatre, which is the backbone of today's West End (and Broadway) scene. There will be knowledgeable guests who will discuss such topics as the history of some of the more famous theatres, and the National Theatre(s).

The other unique aspect of this course is that several of the better tourist attractions are included as part of the week. Attendance at the Ceremony of the Keys at the Tower of London, one such attraction, can only be assured by advance reservations, and the tickets are limited.

It is an evening ceremony in which the Tower is locked up for the night as it has been for centuries, with all the pomp and circumstance of history. It is true theatre, for after all, ritual is the base of all theatre.

Two specially-designed walks have been selected from the many offered around the city and they will be tailored to the course. These will be shared by knowledgeable guides, as the class strolls around the city, visiting the selected sites.

One of the walks will centre around the ghosts of the haunted theatres. Each of the buildings will be visited as the guide chills his audience with anecdotes of ancient foul play.

Another part of the same walk will focus on entertainment in medieval and Tudor times. In the process, London's contemporary face will be peeled back to reveal its rich and tumultuous past.

A second walk will focus on Shakespeare's London and a leisurely stroll will take the group to the most important spots frequented by this most famous of bards.

Included will be a visit to the Shakespearean Museum, a building only open to the public by special request. It is a novel experience indeed to walk upon the ancient cobblestones of this great city and feel past lives coming to the fore through stories and readings.

It will be a full week, with five shows and other tidbits, including at least one backstage tour. Consequently, the accommodation has been chosen to give people a true home for the week — an oasis from the hectic schedule and crowded streets.

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For those who may opt for a summer date, there will be another treat. Two days at Stratford-upon-Avon will make for an idyllic break from busy London.

Two shows and a walking tour of the town (to see the famous Anne Hathaway Cottage, Shakespeare's birthplace and other spots of historical interest) will leave plenty of time to relax at the Arden Hotel, overlooking the Swan river.

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Exploring ruins on Mayan grounds

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

UXMAL, Mexico —

My first look at the lost Mayan Indian civilization was here at this jungle area in Mexico's Yucatan Gulf of Mexico region. It was early in the morning, before the heat and humidity made walking about too tiresome. There were a few Indian families about, taking off with their dogs and rifles to hunt in the nearby bush for deer.

As I walked about the ruins recently excavated from the jungle growth wild turkeys scattered at my approach. My guide book said the buildings I was headed for were once the meeting places of ruling chiefs, priests, soldiers and common people. The site was used for discussions and religious rites.

The buildings had primitive stone chiseled murals with a fertility theme. The big building blocks were held together without mortar or cement, had interesting doorways and sharp arches. There were no furnishings inside the building or any signs of the living past. Mayan Indians in blue denim jackets and pants were squatted on the stone steps, scraping the lush grass from the steps and between the smooth stones.

At nearby Chichen Itza, a former religious centre, there were more extensive ruins. Here was a steep pyramid temple, from which a path led through the bush. Once it was a ceremonial road to a deep canote or well. Along this road once walked richly ornamented priests and warriors, wearing feather mantles. They led Indian girls to stone platforms over the canote.

The girls, dressed in jade jewels, were pushed by the priests into the 80-foot deep well as offerings to the rain god. Divers in recent years — financed in part by the Mexican government, the National Geographic Society and other foundations — have brought up baskets of this ancient jewellery.

There are now a couple of small comfortable hotels near these ancient Mayan ruins and there is more accommodation in Merida, the nearest large city. If you stay at the inns among the ruins, as I did, you will be served Mayan food, often chicken or wild turkey cooked in banana leaves, or venison brought in by hunters whom I had seen going into the bush early in the morning.

Merida also has ancient buildings, but these date back to the coming of the Spanish in the 16th century. They include Casa Montejo where the Spanish governor lived.

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Spousal RRSPs: Investments not earned income

The Readers Ask

By

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Question: My accountant informed me in 1985 that I could no longer contribute to my spousal RRSP because my income from annuities and investments was not earned income. A recent column in the Toronto Star told a man, age 71, that he could continue his spousal RRSP up to 20% of his annuity.

I am 66 and my wife is 65. I would like to start a new spousal RRSP. I would appreciate any advice you can give.

Answer: The definition of earned income includes income from annuities and pensions. However, investment income is not included. Therefore, under the rules that exist for 1986, you may deposit 20% of your annuity income and 20% of your Canada Pension and Old Age Security to a spousal RRSP. The total of the spousal deposit may not be more than $7,500.

The same rules will also be in effect for 1987. In 1988 the amount will be $9,500 or 18% of earned income, whichever is less. And in 1989 it will be $11,500 or 18% of earned income, whichever is less. For 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1993 it will be a maximum of $6,000. After that time annuity and pension income will no longer qualify as earned income.

Annuities and pensions may also be used for your own RRSP, but the rules are very different.

Question: I have been told to turn my RRSPs into a single life annuity with no guarantee instead of a Joint and Last Survivor annuity. The same person also recommended that I buy life insurance in an amount equal to the RRSP funds used to purchase the annuity.

It seems that the extra income produced by the annuity will help pay for the insurance. When I die, the insurance money will come to my beneficiary, income tax free. This insurance money could then be turned into an even bigger monthly income for my wife.

I understand the process but I am not sure that it is the best thing to do. Can you give me your opinion please.

Answer: This question must be examined from three different time frames.

First, if death occurs in the first few years, say three or four years, then this will be a very good arrangement. You will have paid in a small amount of insurance premiums for the death benefit your wife will receive.

Second, if death occurs in the middle range of years, say in eight or nine years, there will still be a benefit, but not nearly as good as in the first example because the insurance premiums and their prepaid value are adding up.

Third, if you live beyond 12 or 14 years, you will pay more money for the insurance premiums than would be collected as a death benefit. Therefore, the scheme would not be economically valuable.

The problem is we do not know how long a person will live. That puts the risk on you. If you are healthy and live long, you can lose money. If you are unlucky and die in the early years your beneficiary will gain money. So the question is, are you prepared to accept the risk of a possible monetary loss? Only you can answer that question.

Remember that the insurance premiums are after tax dollars. In order to come to the exact cost you must add in the income tax you pay on premiums each year.

Remember also that a medical is required. The insurance companies do not want the high risk persons who might die early. They will screen these out and accept only the people in good health and most likely to live the longest.

Our opinion is that the scheme will be good for some and not for others, but we do not know which in advance.

Question: Is there anything an RRIF can't do that an annuity can do?

Answer: Yes, there is. An RRIF cannot continue to pay a person an income if that person lives past age 90. An annuity can and does pay a person for all of life, even "biz a hundert und tzvontzik."

So, who will live that long, you say! Well, these days there are a large number of people in this age range. As time goes on and medicine continues to make advances, many more will live to be 90 and beyond. People need income all of their lives, not just to 90. Care must be taken for all future contingencies.

Question: Can a common-law wife be part of a Joint and Last Survivor annuity? Can she be eligible for a tax free rollover on the death of her spouse?

Answer: Sorry, but the answer is no to both questions. The Income Tax Act is very specific in this matter. A spouse must be legally married.

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All questions on annuities, RRIFs or RRSPs should be directed to Sherr, Bergstein Annuity Insurance Agency, 272 Lawrence Ave. W., Suite 203, Toronto M5M 4M1; phone (416) 787-4517.

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Monitoring service calls seniors daily

By
JEFF ROSEN

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Tempest over "spies" at Agritech 86

Package, sell Israel knowhow anyway—expert

By
NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —

There is nothing like a good story to focus attention on an otherwise routine event.

That is why the Israeli media rally began to pay attention to the recent Agrictech 86 food technology fair when reports started circulating about "Arab spies" who had supposedly come there "to steal" Israeli agricultural knowhow.

These stories were based on a memo reportedly sent by Rafi Glick of the Israel Export Institute to the agriculture ministry warning that "the spies" were going to use their "stolen information" to develop crop lands in neighboring countries, the produce from which would compete with Israeli exports.

This charge brought a heated reply from Rafi Ramon, director of the agriculture ministry's technology department and the man who ran Agritech. He told reporters that he welcomed Arab participation in the fair, adding that he "attached great importance to the sale of Israeli knowhow to countries in the Middle East, among others."

Behind this tempest in a teapot lies a serious controversy about whether Israel gains or loses by the transfer of agricultural technology — a field in which it is an acknowledged world leader — to other nations.

For Rafi Ramon, the answer is clear. "Israeli knowhow," he asserts, "will seep out whether we like it or not. All an interested country has to do in order to obtain the services of an Israeli expert with the requisite knowledge is to place an advertisement in The Jerusalem Post. With local agriculture going through an economically rough period, there will be plenty of qualified applicants."

So instead of trying to block the outflow of knowhow, Ramon favors selling it as part of a package deal: overseas customers are offered both guidance from Israeli experts and a wide range of Israeli-made goods that make it possible for them to utilize local methods. They buy irrigation equipment, harvesting machines, breeding stock, insecticides and fertilizers, total foreign sales of which bring in some $1 billion a year, nearly twice the amount earned by shipments of Israeli agricultural produce.

These dual exports — of knowhow and goods — are spurred by several parallel programs. Oldest and best-known are courses in Israel for training farmers from developing nations. Last year, for example, there were 600 participants from 60 countries in such schemes.

But courses do not involve contractual obligations on either side, and in recent years emphasis has shifted to formal business deals, most of which are handled by the Agridev Company. Its people draw up plans for agricultural projects and then go out into the field to implement them (until local experts are able to take over). Agridev, which is very much in the black, last year signed contracts worth $2.5 million and was also directly responsible for another $10 million, in sales of Israeli agricultural inputs.

Of late, says Agridev managing director Amram Olmert, the company has operated in several dozen countries, with particular emphasis on Latin America, the Caribbean and Africa (including Egypt). But it has also taken on projects in a number of European nations and even in the United States (where it advises on the irrigation of farm lands and golf courses).

The foundation for all this activity is undoubtedly the work of Israel's talented research scientists, particularly those at the Volcani Agricultural Research Center, near Tel Aviv. A Volcani man who returned from Venezuela this week told me, for example, how he was helping to foster the cultivation there of apples, pears and other deciduous fruits. When oil was bringing in $35 or $40 a barrel, he points out, the Venezuelans didn't bother cultivating such fruits, which are hard to grow in their tropical climate. But now, with oil earnings drastically reduced, they realize that they will have to grow their own apples and pears.

Therefore, they turned to experts from Israel, because these crops were virtually unknown here 30 years ago, but thanks to a concerted research program, they are now common — despite Israel's semi-tropical climate.

The Volcani scientist doesn't see any conflict of interests where deciduous fruits are concerned, as neither Israel nor Venezuela are likely to export them. And while there have been cases where the transfer of Israeli knowhow undercuts Israeli exports — as happened when local experts helped the Cypriots to develop grapefruit plantations — this is the exception, he argues, rather than the rule.

He concludes by pointing out that the world turns to Israel for advice in the two spheres where she has gained an international reputation, the military and the agricultural. "And for my part," the researcher declares, "I'd rather teach other nations about food than firepower."

NY man in "fine" form over his ticket situation

NEW YORK (JTA) —

A Lower Manhattan man is incensed about the parking ticket he said he received while praying during Yom Kippur, even after an administrative judge reduced the fine from $40 to $15 and waived the penalty for late payment.

"What is the $15 for, for being Jewish?" exclaimed James Sparks during a recent interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "It seems to me totally ludicrous that the city would make a profit from Jews praying in a synagogue."

He said he has not paid his fine.

Dozens of cars were ticketed in lower Manhattan Monday, Oct. 12 for occupying zones that prohibit parking from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. According to Sparks and Rabbi Samuel Gedalowitz, about 30 of the cars, including Sparks' belonged to Yom Kippur worshippers at the Orthodox Civic Center Synagogue, who had parked before Yom Kippur eve — sundown on Sunday, Oct. 11.

Sparks and the rabbi claimed that the ticketing was unfair. They noted that on the High Holidays the city suspends the rule allowing only alternate-side-of-the-street parking. They were angry that the more lenient Sunday rules — which they said the worshippers were complying with — are invoked during Christmas but not on the Jewish holy days as well.

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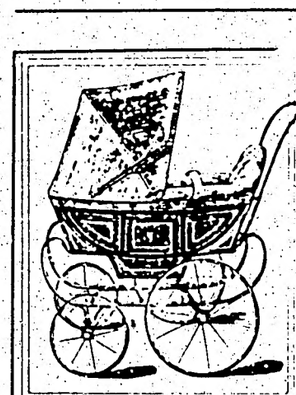

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Organization works to give hope

Yacowar looking to spinal cord injury cure

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Nathan Yacowar has spent much of his adult life working as a volunteer in Montreal's Jewish community. He has since decided to devote some of that time on himself.

Rendered a paraplegic eight years ago as a result of a stroke, Yacowar, 56, has been organizing a Montreal chapter of the Spinal Cord Society of Canada (SCSC) a volunteer organization whose ultimate goal is to find a cure for spinal cord injuries and related neurological disorders.

That goal, Yacowar asserts, differs from established paraplegic organizations oriented towards the rehabilitation and care of para- and quadraplegics. Research towards curing spinal injuries has not been a priority, he says, because the concensus in the medical and scientific community has been that a cure was not possible.

"We are not looking for miracles," Yacowar told The CJN. "The philosophy of the SCS is that if a person doesn't have hope, there's no tomorrow."

The organization of the SCS buttresses Yacowar's view that support is building towards aiming at "cure-not care" approach to spinal cord injury.

Founded in 1978 by Dr. Charles Carson, himself a paraplegic, the SCS has 170 chapters worldwide, 12 of which are in Canada. The organization is structured on a "grassroots," wholly volunteer level, and enlists the support of physicians and scientists in directing funds raised to pure and applied research projects.

Nathan Yacowar

The SCS spinal cord centre is based in the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic. Its campaign for increased public awareness and community outreach is largely realized through a monthly newsletter that reaches some 8,000 members, who pay a $24 membership fee.

The SCS in Canada, centred in Toronto, has sponsored two national conferences in the last two years. One of the SCSC's consulting physicians is Dr. Robert Hansenbout, a former Montreal resident and neurosurgeon at the Montreal Neurological Institute who is now chief of the Department of Neurosurgery at St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton, Ont., and is on the SCSC's board of directors.

Because the SCS Canada receives no government funding, Yacowar has spent many hours working out of his home in Chomedey getting Quebec's first chapter off the ground.

"We really want to develop it. It's very important to put forward that the SCS has a well-organized, programmed approach to research. All the funds raised here stay in Canada. Our approaches are mostly at the individual and corporate levels."

A recent meeting of the Montreal branch held at the Rehabilitation Institute of Montreal featured Dr. Peter Richardson, a neurosurgeon at the Montreal General Hospital, and Dr. Jean Boucher, a professor of kinanthropology at the University of Quebec in Montreal.

Current research, Yacowar says, while still far from finding a curative treatment for spinal cord injury, has nonetheless made strides that could by the next century be translated into concrete results.

This includes research into genetically engineered neuron regeneration, replacement of the vertebra, and the development of nerve growth "bridges." The SCS has also collected a "data bank" of chronic spinal cord case histories that are continuously monitored and upgraded to improve treatment, guide research, and screen patients for referrals.

Yacowar says he receives many letters from individuals who state that "it's about time" an organization like the SCS was available. "Some say it has brought back a hope they never thought they could have again," he said. "They might not expect a cure now or even 20 years from now, but at least they know an effort is being made."

Yacowar's general diligence has already been recognized by the Jewish community, where he has long been active.

He is a past president of the Young Israel of Chomedey, and was named by the State of Israel Bonds and the synagogue as its 1984 Man of the Year. Yacowar, since 1967, has organized the Chomedey drive for Combined Jewish Appeal, which awarded him the Mark Workman Trophy after he campaigned from his hospital bed.

Last year, CJA gave him an honorary Chairman's Award. He commutes daily to his job as head of the Techniques and Development Section at Environment Canada in a specially equipped automobile.

Yacowar retains an unceasing optimism about the future for the chronically injured, and dismisses the more pessimistic prognosticators by saying, simply: "Some people also thought that man would never fly."

First ever in synagogue

Service opens Ont. courts

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the Lord the God giveth thee; and they shall judge the people with righteous judgment.

That biblical prescription from Deuteronomy was recently repeated for the benefit of dozens of Ontario court judges, as well as about 150 lawyers and onlookers at a special divine service at the Holy Blossom Temple marking the 1987 opening of the courts of Ontario.

The service, the first of its kind in an Ontario synagogue, saw clergy from a number of Christian denominations and streams of Judaism join in praying for "justice and kindness in our land."

Following a solemn processional of judges clad in black robes trimmed with red, blue or purple, Dr. Stanford Lucyk delivered a sermon in which he called for changes to the laws governing euthanasia.

Lucyk, minister of the Royal York Road United Church, grappled with the topic by combining references to the Books of Job and Ecclesiastes to the modern day situation of a visiting Israeli doctor who administered a fatal dose of morphine to allow a doomed newborn to die with "dignity and comfort."

He questioned Canadian law, which saw fit to charge the doctor with murder for his act of commission, but which failed to charge a second doctor for his act of omission — removing the dying child from life support systems.

To Lucyk, the doctor who injected the morphine performed an act of mercy and compassion and was a "hero."

He described Job's calls to God to be choked and killed quickly and Ecclesiastes' famous verse — a time to be born, and a time to die — as containing a lesson for today's medicine which through the use of high tech hardware can extend life when death is inevitable.

To avoid incidents of civil disobedience, he called for changes to the law.

The service, which included Cantor Benjamin Maissner's rendition in Hebrew of Psalm 121 and Adon Olam, was made possible by an anonymous donation in memory of the late Newton Wesley Rowell, onetime chief justice.

Joining rabbis Dow Marmur and Benjamin Friedberg in the services were clergy from Catholic, Baptist, Presbyterian and United Churches.

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Dorothy Reitman

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Hadassa Rosenberg

Leadership is the Challenge

Status of Jewish Women

The role of the Jewish woman is changing . . . in Canada and in Israel. "Women are bringing themselves into the twentieth century," **Dr. Alice Shalvi**, prominent Israeli feminist and Principal of the Pelech Religious Experimental School for Girls, told an overflow audience at the Jewish Women's Federation programme, "Routes . . Continuing the Journey . . ."

Dr. Shalvi was joined on the panel by university lecturer **Hadassa Rosenberg** and Canadian Jewish Congress President, **Dorothy Reitman**. Judge **Rosalie Silberman Abella** moderated. The panelists agreed that women are challenging their traditional exclusion from public roles by speaking out forcefully on how to maintain the connection between tradition and modern realities. They called for a change in both male and female attitudes, and pressed for equal opportunity, regardless of gender.

The centrality of the family is a major theme in Jewish life, and while the "eshet chayil" who was wife, mother and entrepreneur is admired, equality under halacha is still distant. Dr. Shalvi pointed out that under halacha women are placed in the same categories as minors and Canaanite slaves. To gain equality they must be real candidates for all jobs and responsibilities.

She noted the hundreds of women denied religious divorces who wait in limbo while the powerful rabbinic courts seldom apply the full force of the law on their behalf. "While the Israeli constitution enshrines equal rights for women, it's not enough to have laws if you don't have public support." Evolution not revolution is the way. "Progress can only come by educating men; mindsets cannot be changed overnight."

Hadassa Rosenberg pointed out the pivotal roles women, such as Biblical Rebecca and Deborah, played in the Jewish people's destiny. In today's age of greater secular education, these role models are denied to our young Jewish women.

Women must become involved "at every level", said CJC President, Dorothy Reitman, because they bring communal and political leaders, a leadership dimension and an added, urgently needed sensitivity.

Inequalities in society hurt the community when growing numbers of single Jewish mothers earn less than men. They live and raise children below the poverty level when qualified daycare is hard to obtain.

Judge Abella, in summary, agreed that women's causes are not "a fight against men, but a fight . . . to knock down social barriers."

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Shalom,

"Networking", the current catchword of the mid-80's, contains an important message for women's groups.

Dr. Alice Shalvi, the noted Israeli feminist who spoke at Jewish Women's Federation's "Status of Jewish Women" program, encouraged women, regardless of their differing philosophical or religious backgrounds, to work together to improve the female position in our society.

JWF, as the umbrella organization, can be the catalyst for this task by CENTRALLY representing the views of Toronto Jewish women. Networking implies the sharing of common concerns and goals. In the coming months, as JWF's Social and Political Action Committee researches the issue of **"Women in Leadership"**, we hope to carry this concept one step further by addressing and implementing ways for women to play a more prominent role in community planning and in the workplace.

JWF is pleased to welcome new staff members — **Carol Seidman**, Director and **Roanne Mazer**, Staff Associate.

I am proud to announce that the Council of Jewish Federations presented its 1986 **Silver Public Relations** award to JWF **"In Touch,"** for the best newsletter, at the 55th General Assembly in Chicago.

Congratulations and thanks to editor **Harriett Bomza** and her committee for this outstanding achievement.

Judy Gwartz

Judy Gwartz, Chairman
Jewish Women's Federation

MOVING UP

Leadership is the name of the game. If women want action on their concerns and issues, they will have to move up into executive positions within the policy and decision-making committees of the Jewish and non-Jewish communities. This was the conclusion of the Social and Political Action Committee as it sifted through the ideas and suggestions from their spring and fall meetings. Did you know — women make up only 17% of the Officers, 23% of the Executive, and only 14% of the committees of Toronto Jewish Congress. These figures show that we have a long way to go.

The committee is learning. It is searching out a definitive plan of action through the findings and proposals of it's subcommittees — Research, Education, Action and Advocacy. The Research group will be compiling statistics on gaps in women's leadership and attitudes toward women in decision-making positions. The Action and Advocacy Sub-Committee will be investigating methods of advocacy — what works and what doesn't. Education's mandate is to plan community programs.

"We hope that the general community will look to Jewish Women's Federation to respond to their concerns. I see this evolving as the Social and Political Action Committee grows and is seen as a viable entity," says **Francie Storm**, co-chairperson.

In fact, the Education sub-committee has already joined the Jewish Family and Child Service in co-sponsoring a program in March 1987 concerning **Family Violence in the Jewish Home**. Research has shown that the incidents are frequent. J.F. & C.S., even now, has families in counselling. Both men and women will be encouraged to attend this essential presentation.

On December 3rd, **Pat Marshall**, Executive Director of the Metro Action Committee on Violence Against Women and Children spoke to the Social and Political Action volunteers. She led the group, step by step, through the process of changing legislation in regard to sexual violence against women.

According to Ms. Marshall, the ingredients for successful advocacy are, "thorough research, a strong belief in your cause, and, tenacity".

The Committee will continue examining women's issues, beginning with pay equity, and the best ways for J.W.F. to deal with them.

Francie Storm and Sylvia Miller, Social & Political Action Committee Co-chairpersons with Pat Marshall, METRAC Director and Jan Petrook, Education Sub-committee Chairperson.

IN MEMORY

J.W.F. mourns the passing of **Dora Anne Till**. In 1918 Dora began her lifetime career of service to social welfare, and above all, to children, mothers and the elderly. In 1955 Dora founded the Women's Auxiliary of Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, and her love, devotion and daily efforts continued for the rest of her life. The Women's Auxiliary honored her in 1983 with a Tribute Dinner and by naming a patient care floor in the Hospital in her honor.

Dora Till was the first Jewish woman to be installed as Noble Grand at the Rebecca Lodge, the first woman to receive the Ben Sadowski Award and the first recipient of the Primrose Club Award. She was presented with the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal in recognition of her service to humanity.

A shining example of a volunteer par excellence, Dora Till will be deeply missed by her family, friends and many co-workers.

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January

19 Beth Sholom Sisterhood — **"The New Family Law Act — One Year Later"** — Panel Discussion, Malcolm Kronby, Q.C., Rodica David, Q.C., Raymond Stancer, Q.C. Moderator — Howard Warren, Beth Sholom Synagogue, Gerald Schwartz Auditorium, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W., 7:30 p.m., 783-6103

21 Toronto Hadassah — WIZO, **Book Review — "The Accidental Tourist"** — Heather Kassel, Zionist Building, 788 Marlee Ave., 9:30 a.m. — Baby-sitting available on request 789-4373

25 Temple Har Zion Sisterhood — **Confidence Building and Assertiveness Training,** Speaker — Carol Seidman, MSW, Temple Har Zion, 7360 Bayview Ave., 11:00-2:00 p.m. Dorothy Miller 881-0676

28 Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood — Sharon Drache — **Readings for the "Mikvah Man"** — Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St., 1:30 p.m., Sheila Katz 449-4291

30 Hadassah-WIZO, January 30 — February 1, **First Canadian AVIV Conference**, Prince Hotel, Toronto — Open to all Hadassah-WIZO Members 45 years or under 789-4373

31 Rosh Chodesh Group — **"Jewish Feminist Spirituality"** — Retreat in the country, Rayzel Robinson 736-5178

February

3 Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood — Ruby Newman reviews the **Perfect Peace** by Amos Oz, Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. 1:30 p.m. **Part 2, February 24**, 1:30 p.m. Sheila Katz 449-4291

8 Toronto Women's ORT — Shalom Chapter — **Children's Concert** — Sandy Offenheim and Family, Northview Heights Secondary School Auditorium, 2 performances $4.50, 1:30-3:30 p.m. 787-0297

10 Shaar Shalom Sisterhood — **The Jews of Kai Fung,** Members $1.00 non-members $1.50, 2 Simonston Blvd. 889-4975 8:00 p.m.

14 **TU B'SH'VAT**

20, 21, 22 **Lubavitch Women's League, N'Shei Chabad, 25th Mid-Winter Regional Convention,** Shabbos Experience — Chabad Community Centre; Melaveh Malka Dinner, Speaker Miriam Levi — Motherhood: The Art of Communicating — Torah Emeth Jewish Centre, 8:00 p.m.; Banquet, Speaker Rabbi Manis Freedman — Minding the Family Business — Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 12 noon, Sandy Gewirtz, 222-5890, 782-9658

March

2 Ontario Branch, Women's League for Conservative Judaism, **Rosh Hodesh service** followed by **Study Session**, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 9:00 a.m., Marilyn Siegel 781-4234

3 Toronto Hadassah — WIZO, **Launching of Youth Aliyah Campaign,** Fran Sonshine 445-0246

4 Temple Har Zion Sisterhood, Speaker — Mickey Pitch **"Cooking with Mickey"**, Temple Har Zion, 7360 Bayview Ave., Thornhill, 8:00 p.m. Dorothy Miller 881-0676

9 Beth Sholom Sisterhood — **"Chocolate Demonstration"** — Barbara Grossman, Beth Sholom Synagogue, Gerald Schwartz Auditorium, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W., 7:30 p.m. 783-6103

10 Beth Tikvah Sisterhood — Dr. Ben Schlesinger, Dr. Rachel Schlesinger, — **"Where Have You Been? Where Have You Been Going?"** Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., Judy Steinberg 889-0857

15 **PURIM**

23 Toronto Jewish Congress — **Community Mission to Israel,** $2,150. Mark Gryfe 635-2883, ext. 104

24 Hadassah — WIZO — **"Is 1987 the Year of Peace"** — A study with experts on the politics, sociology, psychology of peace in the Middle East, Jerusalem Hall, 788 Marlee Ave., 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 789-4373

25 Mount Sinai Hospital — **Health Education Lecture, Understanding and Managing STRESS,** Mount Sinai Hospital Ben Sadowski Auditorium, 1:00 p.m., Irene Geras 586-8290

26 Associated Hebrew Schools — Parents Association — **Tea and Fashion Show,** Kathy Jean Fashions, 38 Misty Cres., 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. 789-7471

28 Alpha Omega Women — **Movie Premier and Reception honouring Mrs. Etta Sherman** — Theatre at the McDonald's Place, Lola Kochman 781-9591

April

1 Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood — **Trip to Royal Alex** to see "The Women", Royal Alex $22.50. Reservations a must, 2:00 p.m. Sheila Katz 449-4291

2 Shaar Shalom Sisterhood — Panel Discussion — **Jewish Medical Ethics** 2 Simonston Blvd. 8:00 p.m., Member $1.00, non-member $1.50 496-1700

5 Temple Har Zion Sisterhood, **Sunday Tea and Fashion Show,** Temple Har Zion, 7360 Bayview Ave., Thornhill, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Dorothy Miller 881-0676

7 Mount Sinai Hospital — **Annual Ball — "Night of Tropical Splendour"**, Inn on the Park, Leslie & Eglinton E., Irene Geras 586-8290

13-21 **PASSOVER** — 13 - 1st Seder — 14 - 2nd Seder

27 Jewish Women's Federation — **Annual Meeting**, 8:00 p.m., Lipa Green Building, Conference Centre, Carol Seidman 635-2883

May

2 Canadian Shaare Zedek Foundation — **Gala Auction** — 8:30 p.m. 781-3584

4 Beth Sholom Sisterhood, **Mother's Day Program,** Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W., Gerald Schwartz Auditorium, 6:00 p.m. 783-6103

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With the new bus: Lesley Miller — Secretary-Treasurer, N.C.J.W. Charitable Foundation, Zev Selinger — Building resident, Nita Goldband — President, N.C.J.W. Toronto Section, John Sweeney — Minister of Community and Social Services, Patti Starr — President, N.C.J.W., Charitable Foundation, Robert Kaplan M.P., Monte Kwinter — Minister of Consumer Affairs.

WOMEN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

We're talking risk-taking, perseverance, initiative, enthusiasm, hard work, imagination, unfailing commitment. These are the attributes of the **Toronto Section, National Council of Jewish Women of Canada Charitable Foundation**, volunteers who conceived and created a one-of-a-kind, integrated housing development.

For several years, this group focused much of its attention on the problems of the disabled and on making their needs known to the community. In 1982 they decided to really make things happen.

Initially, the women envisioned themselves as catalysts, advocates on behalf of the disabled to ensure the provision of satisfactory housing.

When this tactic proved inadequate, they approached Angelo Del Zotto, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Tridel Corporation. Tridel was planning a high-rise building for the corner of Bathurst St. and St. Charles Dr. Could N.C.J.W. sponsor 8 units for the disabled? From this idea sprang the present project — Council would sponsor the whole building!

Council members, together with Tridel Corporation, designed a structure containing 39 family units, 50 senior citizen units, 55 units for "able-disabled" and 16 units for disabled people who need attendant care. Amenities include a sauna, whirlpool, gym, library, a children's playroom, two roof gardens and an auditorium/synagogue. Tridel not only absorbed the project's added cost but also purchased a Wheel-Trans Bus for the residents.

The women used their organizational skills to surmount the inevitable obstacles at various levels of government. 1200 letters went to North York councillors to support an application for rezoning. A detailed project submission, followed by numerous letters and phone calls, secured a $10 million mortgage from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. Ontario's Social Services Ministry committed a $1.2 million three-year renewable package for attendant care services. With dogged persistence they lobbied Cabinet ministers, weathered an Ontario Municipal Board hearing, overcame the concern of local ratepayers and braved two changes of government.

The building was proudly opened on November 9, 1986 — a dream fulfilled. It was a risky undertaking. But it was also a unique challenge, an opportunity to encourage true housing integration for the disabled, thereby setting an example for future projects. Within the organization there is an overwhelming sense of satisfaction.

We wish the NCJW a Yasher Koach!

Has your organization a particular program of which you are proud? In subsequent issues of In-Touch we intend to highlight and applaud the significant efforts — large or small — of our affiliates. We welcome your submissions.

OPPRESSED JEWRY

Jewish Women's Federation has established a Committee on Oppressed Jewry, chaired by **Marcia Zalev**, to educate and mobilize it's members' concern for the political situation of Jews around the world. We want to help those who wish to emigrate and those who cannot or will not leave, so they and their children can live as Jews. We want to help women lobby effectively for our cause. And we want our members to know that by working together, we truly can promote change.

This committee's mandate is to link our affiliates and co-ordinate their activities. We are contacting these organizations to learn about their lines of communication with their members, their current programming in regard to oppressed Jewry, and the gaps they want filled. As our work progresses we will report to you on the kinds of strategies in place, and how you can be a part of this vital enterprise.

SHALOM MARLENE!

A warm welcome to Toronto newcomer Marlene Carno Jacobson from Shalom Toronto Greeter Danielle Reitzes: